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Azzurri's 1982 champion team, from left, front row: Tim Alder, Stewart Tyerman, Terry Kent, Phil Cole, Stewart Blair, Wally Bojczuk, John Francis, Mike Donnelly, Chris Manolev, Mario Boffa.
Back row: Howard Wells (trainer), Graham McMillan, Frank Michelson, Barry Smith, Rob Boehnke, David Miller, Ossie Michelson, Andy Toland, Steve Whitehead, Frank Schaper (coach).

Azzurri seeks third berth for Sth Australia

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By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Adelaide's Azzurri and Western Australia's Dalmatinac — which is willing to sign 17 guest players — will apply for admission to the 1984 regionalised National League.

And pressure is mounting for Brisbane Lions and Brisbane City to play in the northern region rather than the southern region. This would be possible if Canberra Arrows agreed to play in the south instead of the north. Canberra, however, wants to remain in the NSW region in order to retain sponsorship from NSW Lotto.

If the Brisbane clubs moved to the northern region, they could create a vacancy for Azzurri or Dalmatinac in the South.

Yugoslav-sponsored Dalmatinac released the results of a feasibility study on its NSL prospects, exclusively to "Soccer Action".

This study presently is in the hands of the West Australian Premier's Department.

Dalmatinac wants to elicit the support of premier Brian Burke, to give its NSL application political clout.

Burke is a former president of West Australian club Balga. His son, Thomas, captained Western Australia at the last national youth championships.

Future Marketing's feasibility study budgeted for a staggering \$175,000 travel outlay in the NSL — a far cry from the \$30,000 travel impost on each club in this year's 16-team NSL.

That's because this travel component took into account the need to pay return fares



David Kamasz, formerly of Newcastle, now with Dalmatinac

from Adelaide to Perth for every one of Dalmatinac's opposing clubs.

Azzurri's application is tempered with a note of caution. The Italian-sponsored club wants concrete information on the new NSL format in order to be clear about the cost structure of such a venture.

Future Marketing undertook Dalmatinac's feasibility study, which concluded that the club would need a staggering \$600,000 in its first NSL year. The study, though, predicts that the target certainly would be reached! Peter M Kay of Future Marketing takes up the story:

"First of all, we reached the conclusion that soccer in the west must have NSL representation. We've gone directly to the Premier rather than rely

on the local media to report Dalmatinac's case."

Dalmatinac was led to believe by the NSL that the league would cover all travel costs of opposing sides to and from Adelaide, en route to the west.

From that point on, Dalmatinac would have to cover travel costs. That explains the huge travel component in the feasibility study.

Remember however Dalmatinac claims it has 600,000 good reasons to believe that it can make a go of competing in the NSL.

Let's look at the club's existing and potential sources of income.

Dalmatinac reckons that it conservatively would draw 5,000 spectators at home games.

That figure isn't pie-in-the-sky because a hefty slice of the club's projected \$600,000 budget would go to pay guest players at home games. Dalmatinac has been in touch with English and European player agents and would be able to have a different topclass guest player at each of its home games — certainly a first in Australian soccer.

The feasibility study included room in its financial report for 17 such guest players, thinking that the NSL might continue its present one-league

TOURNAMENT FACES AXE

The international tournament in November between Uruguay, Cameroon, Poland and Australia, may be called off.

What concerns the ASF is that crowds for the recent three-match series against England fell far short of expectations.

Another consideration is that Poland, as reported by Andrew Dutton in "Soccer Action" on July 20, is unlikely to send its senior team.

The possibility of calling the tournament off was discussed briefly by the ASF executive, and there will be further talks at another meeting on Friday.

The ASF is trying to establish how much the tournament will cost and whether the visiting teams would be at full strength.

As it stands, the teams will play for \$200,000 in prize money.

Matches are to be played as double-headers, and the schedule is:

In Brisbane, Wednesday, November 16.

In Sydney, Saturday, November 19.

In Adelaide, Wednesday, November 23.

In Melbourne (final and third-place play-off), Saturday, November 26.

The Seven Network is to cover the series.

1984 'Match of the Day' in a muddle

The regionalised format of the 1984 NSL presents problems for television.

Channel 0/28 runs two half-hour soccer programmes and a one-hour "Match of the Day" show every week, but was not taken into the NSL's confidence during planning of the regionalised competition.

There would be 12 games a week in a 24-team league, whereas there are only eight games a week at the moment. Channel 0/28 covers all eight, and its outlay would jump by 50 per cent if it covered 12 games.

As for the "Match of the Day" programme, Channel 0 has tried as often as possible to show games between a Melbourne and a Sydney club in order to appeal to viewers in both States.

Under the 24-team set-up however, Melbourne and Sydney clubs play against each other only three times a year.

"Match of the Day" could be made up of two matches — half an hour of each — but that of course, would be twice as expensive.

Another consideration is that Channel 0 starts transmitting to Canberra and surrounding districts from October 14, meaning that it also wants to feature Canberra Arrows on the "Match of the Day".

Canberra's first appearance on the show is on October 23, when it meets Sydney City Hakoah at Bruce Stadium.



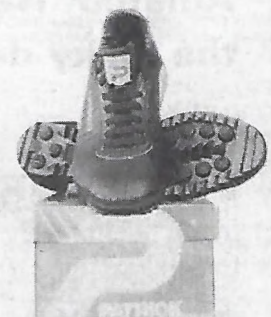
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Vieri, Odzakov the greatest

Malcolm Macdonald, Mike Channon, Graeme Souness, Francis Lee, Charlie George, Justin Fashanu, Ralph Coates, Ray Clemence . . . and now, George Best.

I saw all the great guest players imported over the past seven years and I actually was instrumental in bringing out Fashanu and Lee.

Some achieved unbelievable publicity for themselves and for soccer during their stay.

But was George Best the right type of "super star" to bring over for a guest stint? Let's face it, his football days were over, and with Brisbane Lions he turned out to be nothing more than Mr Ordinary.

But the reason I write about the big-name brigade is because of an injustice that was done to the greatest of them all, Roberto Vieri.

I was coach of Marconi when we brought Vieri here as a guest player from Italy.

He later went back home but returned and played several seasons with Marconi. Now he is player-coach of Canberra club Inter-Monaro which is making a bold bid for the NSW State League top four.

He was as big as any of them, for he had played top-level soccer for Juventus and for Roma under the great Helenio Herrera. Yet Vieri received less adulation from the national media than the British players who came here.

This despite the fact that no player in the past seven years has added more excitement or flair to a club than Vieri did at Marconi.

In my opinion, he is by far the most successful player to come to this country since the NSL started in 1977.

Vieri operated in the province of skill and entertainment. His team mates at the time, Peter Sharpe, Mark Jankovics, Bertie Mariani, Paul Degney, Jimmy Rooney, still speak about him in superlatives.

But I feel sorry that such a great personality was not really used in the way some guest stars were used to help boost soccer's standing.

It was evident during the World Youth Championships in Mexico that our young players are still deficient in skill. If any top club finally gets around to employing a skills coach, Roberto Vieri is the man they should look to first.

Odzakov part of winning axis

Anyone wondering about the secret of Makedonia's success need look no further than Zarko Odzakov.

In a recent poll conducted by "Soccer Action" writers, to find the most exciting player in Australia, Odzakov was ranked ninth.

However, such is the impact Odzakov is making week by week, that if the poll were held at the end of August, I'm sure he would be voted No. 1.

The former Vardar Skopje midfielder is physically pow-



RALE RASIC

erful, he's a deadly finisher, he's the master of soccer technique and he's a very tough customer when a tackle is required.

In my book, he's the most complete footballer in the country.

In saying that, I mean no disrespect for Wollongong's Phil O'Connor, who topped the "Soccer Action" poll, but even O'Connor would, I am sure, applaud Odzakov's ability.

While Odzakov plays a leading role in Makedonia's success, he is only one point of a three-man axis around which the club revolves at the moment.

The other two are coach Peter Ollerton and president John Branov.

Ollerton's achievements as a coach no longer can be regarded as an "accident". He's proving week after week that he knows exactly what coach-

ing is all about, and in his quiet and modest way, he is performing miracles. I'm not quite sure of the figures, but I think that under Ollerton, the team has lost only two of its last 34 matches.

John Branov epitomises Makedonia's administrative stability, and Odzakov leads a highly talented group of players, including Opatinis who is advancing in leaps and bounds, Lucchesi that skilful striker: Jones, Flavell and McMillan the tough men, and tricky Campbell on the wing.

The administrative stability so typical of Makedonia in recent years is evident also at another of Victoria's leading clubs, Green Gully Ajax, where president Guy Spiteri and treasurer Arnold Langer are the leaders, and where the coach is allowed to do his job with encouragement rather than with criticism.



Roberto Vieri

'Winker' Watson and the Wombles of Waratah

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

The Wombles have migrated to Waratah Common. There's Winker, Badger, The Mossblown Marvel, Corky and wee Hammy and the tale of their Sunday sorties should produce many happy endings for the remainder of this season.

Doveton soccer club is a paradise for nicknames. It also is a haven for good players, some who enjoy media attention, and others, like Paul Corkie, Peter Thurlow, Bill Buchanan, Steve Gadsby and Graham Watson who rarely are in the news.

That's especially surprising with regard to "Winker" Watson. Few players come to Australia at the tender soccer age of 22, already having spent four years of their life as a full time professional with a club of the stature of the mighty Glasgow Rangers.

Watson arrived here this year, on Friday, May 13. That could have been an ominous sign, however, recent performances have shown Watson's scant regard for superstition. Since being switched from midfield to right back he fast is bridging the reputation gap between himself and more established right backs like

Peter Lewis of Green Gully Ajax and Vince Bannion of Juventus.

Watson's playing pedigree was enhanced during his stint with Glasgow club Clydebank Strollers. It was there that he was spotted by scouts for Rangers and arch enemy Celtic.

Watson found himself playing trial games with both clubs, in the same week. He played with Celtic's reserves against S. Mirren on a Monday night. Former Rangers and Spurs forward Allie Conn, then with Celtic, was sent off in that match which ended in a 1-1 draw.

Celtic manager Billy McNeill watched Watson and liked what he saw. He wanted the midfielder to play another game the following week before making a final decision.

The following Saturday, Watson was in Rangers colors, playing a reserves game against Dundee United.

Rangers won 3-1. Stan Anderson was coaching Rangers' reserves then and he told Watson that he would recommend to manager John Greig that the club should sign the teenager.

"I had to take my chance when it came. If I'd waited a bit longer before making up my mind, I might have found that both Rangers and Celtic would have lost interest. Anyway, I've always been a Rangers supporter and after a second reserves game there, against Morton, the club offered me terms and I accepted," said Watson.

That was at the start of the 1978-79 season. Watson found himself farmed out to junior club Benburb for six games before playing his first reserves match as a full timer with Rangers against Kilmarnock at Rugby Park. By the start of the 1979-80 season, Watson was well established in the reserves. However, first team opportunities were extremely scarce. He only played in the firsts on two occasions, both in friendly games.

Watson and Sunshine-George Cross defender Steve Richardson were team mates at Rangers. In a recent "Soccer Action" interview, Richardson said that he was surprised that Doveton beat Sunshine-George Cross earlier this season, since that interview the Doves completed a double against the combine, winning 2-1 at home a fortnight ago. Richardson's comments stung Watson.

"I couldn't believe it when I read Steve Richardson's comments. Right enough, I never played in the first game but the other week we were clearly the better side and I thought we could have won by a bigger margin. If Doveton's not that good in Steve Richardson's eyes then it says very little for the club he's playing with. Even after our recent game he was saying that he couldn't believe how we could beat them."

When Watson first arrived, Doveton was coached by Ernie Merrick. Since then, former Australian international

Hammy McMeechan has taken over.

"Ernie knew what he was talking about but I think he overdid the technical aspects a bit. There's been a change of atmosphere since Hammy took over. We're enjoying ourselves more and I think that's starting to show out on the field. It was Hammy's idea to switch me to right back and I'm really enjoying myself there."

At right back, Watson's ability to get forward quickly is being put to good use. His tackling is getting better but he'd like to improve his left foot and turn quicker. These areas of his game still can be developed.

Watson's wife is in Scotland and by the time this goes into print, could have given birth to their first child. Watson will holiday in Scotland later this year then return with his family.

"At first, my wife was going to come out here but she fell pregnant just when I was having problems getting a visa. The longer things dragged on she was, of course, getting further into her pregnancy. We decided she should stay back home with her moth-



Graham Watson

er. Anyway, I want my child to be born in Scotland.

"I'll be seeing them at Christmas. I keep in touch regularly and I've told my wife about Australia. She can see the place for herself next year and maybe we'll end up setting here. I don't know."

"I think I'm good enough to play in the NSL and to be honest I'd like to play in that standard. That's not an immediate goal. I've got a two year contract with Doveton."

"I think you'll see a different Doveton over the remaining league games. Apparently the club finished off last season well and I think we're going to do the same thing. It's just a pity that we didn't have a better start. If we had, then maybe we'd be pushing for something right now."

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Kyriakoulas in action, from top left: playing for Hellas against Hilton Silva, then of Sydney Hakoah; playing for J.U.S.T. against Agenor Muniz, then of Adelaide Juventus; beating Jim Campbell of Heidelberg-Alexander — and (above) laughing at the opposition while team mates Dennis Boland and Slobodan Popovic organise the defence.

KYRI: NOT JUST A TOUGH GUY

Nobody likes playing against Footscray J.U.S.T. anymore. They've never liked Kyriakoulas, but now they're up against 11 guys with Kyriakoulas' uncompromising attitude.

It's his best season so far. Kyriakoulas says so himself. And it's shaping as J.U.S.T.'s best year since the NSL started in 1977.

Kyriakoulas says he's improved his game a lot under coach Bobby McLachlan —

particularly in positioning and tackling. "I don't dive in anymore," he says. But he's just as fearsome as ever in the way he attacks the ball, both in the air and on the ground. The phrase "putting your body in" takes on a new dimension when it's applied to the J.U.S.T. centre back.

Perhaps it's got something to do with his karate expertise. He's a karate black belt — and that demands exceptional strength of mind and body plus fearlessness and total commitment.

I've seen Kyriakoulas chop through planks of wood with his hands and have a thick pole broken across his midriff. He

shows the same toughness in words when he feels they're justified. Take for example his statements before J.U.S.T.'s recent victory over Sydney Olympic. "Some players respect Tommy Docherty, but I don't because he keeps rubbing us all the time. We're out to shut his mouth," he said. And asked whether he was worried about his clash with Olympic's tough man, Marshal Soper, Kyriakoulas said with disdain, "Marshal does most of his tackling with his mouth." Incidentally, Soper hardly was sighted during the game.

But there's more to Kyria-

koulas than brawn. He studied microbiology and wanted to be a gynaecologist before financial success through business made him a bit complacent.

Kyriakoulas and his wife Erica have, for some years, been running a take-away food shop at Apollo Bay, a beach resort on Victoria's south-west coast. It's been making so much money that they can afford to run it only during the holiday season and relax for most of the remaining months.

More recently, however, Kyriakoulas has been trying his hand in the car trade, in conjunction with Simon Turdula, a car dealer and team manager of J.U.S.T.

All credit to J.U.S.T.'s former coach, Cedo Kirkoivic, for recruiting Kyriakoulas from South Melbourne Hellas in 1980. Joe Piccione, a shrewd eye for talent. So it was when he picked out Kyriakoulas, Vlatko Belic, Souleiman Curovic, Mendi Ristovski, Zoran Ilioski, Dennis Boland, Joe Piccione, Alan Parrott and many more.

Kyriakoulas had progressed through the ranks of the Hellas juniors, into the reserves. He still laments that he has scored only three goals in his entire soccer career — one in the reserves against Heidelberg Alexander and two in a 2-0 victory by the Hellas under 16s. Even goalkeeper Leo Tsagaras scored that day. He made his Hellas senior debut as a substitute against Alexander at Olympic Park No. 2 in 1979. Stuart Baxter, the regular centre back, was injured, and young Kyriakoulas took over. It would have been a daunting experience for anyone else, but Kyriakoulas played with tremendous confidence and was in total control for the rest of the match.

Len McKendry, Victorian State coach at the time, was so impressed he made a few phone calls, wanting to find out more about the young defender.

But Kyriakoulas went on to play seven more games for Hellas in the remaining 23 rounds. He also had a dispute with the Hellas leadership and made his debut for J.U.S.T. as a substitute in a 1-1 draw with Brisbane City in round 13 of 1980.

He's been there ever since, and his winning ways now are rubbing off on team-mates. Just have a look at J.U.S.T.'s recent record.

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS

Will we see Eddie Krncevic back in Australia next year?

Joe Sigur, the president of Melbourne Croatia, says he will try to get both Krncevic and goalkeeper Yakka Banovic to rejoin the club for the 1984 NSL season.

Croatia is almost certain to play in the enlarged NSL competition.

Krncevic was a star with Croatia before joining Marconi and then going overseas. Banovic joined Croatia from Adelaide and then went on to play for Heidelberg-Alexander and for Derby County in England.

Krncevic now is with Dinamo Zagreb in the Yugoslav First Division, and I hear he scored quite a few goals last season.

Another Melbourne boy, Vlado Bozinski of Hellas, has gone to Dinamo as well, and hopes to be offered a contract by the club. I wonder if national coach Les Scheinflug will ask Krncevic to play in Australia's World Cup qualifying matches. Krncevic scored 17 goals in 33 games for Australia, and nine goals in 10 games for the national youth team.

The extra knowledge and experience gained in Europe must have made him an even better player.

He's a tower of strength up front, and seeing as we haven't got so many good front-runners these days, he's been invaluable in our World Cup bid.

Belmore tops for soccer

The Sydney Olympic team that played against Footscray J.U.S.T. recently included three players who came through the same school: Belmore High.

I am one of them, and the other two are Terry Patalis, 18, and Chris Kalantzis, 16.

Rugby League is the No. 1 sport at Belmore High, but that didn't stop the soccer enthusiasts from developing.

There's yet another top player in the pipeline. He is Dennis Fterniatis, 18, who made his first grade debut for Marrickville Olympic last week.

"Nionio", as he's affectionally called, is certain to make it to the top. Remember the name.

Why the infighting!

I was deeply disappointed over the behaviour of some of the Greek fans who watched our match with J.U.S.T. in Melbourne.

They swore at me throughout, as if I had committed a crime.

It was over that article in "Neos Kosmos" early this year. I repeat that I did not criticise South Melbourne Hellas or anyone at the club. Let's not start any wars between clubs.

As far as I'm concerned, it's all forgotten.

Let's have your support next time we play in Melbourne, and Hellas will have the support of our fans when Hellas plays in Sydney.

Let's not forget that Hellas and Olympic both are Greek

Best shuns the media

George Best has imposed a "no media contact" clause in the contract he has just signed with New Zealand Rothmans' National League club Christchurch Mogul United.

Best stipulated that he will undertake no interviews, press conferences or radio talk-back shows during his scheduled stay in Christchurch from August 26 to September 12.

The clause has dismayed United officials who are gambling on Best's three-month guest stint to restore its ailing finances.

On limited media exposure, however, Best's ability to attract sponsors and generate sufficient interest to get turnstiles clicking satisfactorily must be questioned.

On last visit to Christchurch in 1967, Best inspired Manchester United to an 11-0 victory over New Zealand. Those who have seen the Irishman in the colors of Brisbane Lions recently will doubt if he can make a similar impact.

— PAUL MOON

Yakka, Eddie to return to Croatia?

clubs, so they should help each other whenever possible.

Raskopoulos, Siras If you're wondering what's happening to Peter Raskopoulos and Jim Siras, both have been out injured for much of the season.

Peter has managed to play

only a handful of matches due to an ankle injury sustained at the start of the season.

Each time he made a comeback, he injured it again, and last week, when everyone thought he was ready to play, he injured it once more.

As for Siras, he's been out with a hamstring injury. He's OK now, though, and it shouldn't be long before he's back in the first team.



Flashback to the late 1970's — Eddie Krncevic (left), Yakka Banovic (centre) and John Gardiner in Melbourne Croatia colors. Gardiner now coaches Croatia.

By ANDREW DETTRE

TRY SELLING HAGGIS TO AN ITALIAN!

Hundreds of likely and also some most implausible reasons have been advanced for soccer's agonising problem, the dwindling crowds.

It's caused by a combination of circumstances rather than one startling factor. Still, almost to defeat my own argument, I'd like to dwell on a single subject which could well be a major contributing item.

It's simply this: most of the NSL clubs are trying to sell a basically British product to a largely non-British market.

Let's I am accused by some demagogue of anti-British sentiments, I hasten to point out that there is nothing wrong with British soccer.

For British crowds, that is. I'm sure the fans of Liverpool, Manchester United and Arsenal would think twice about attending the games if they were served up Brazilian-style matches.

That is not what they are used to and not what they want.

Of course, once again there is absolutely nothing wrong with Brazilian soccer — but that's not what we're selling. The pace and slow build-up, is only for Brazilian consumption. Try to give them the English style and the fans stay home.

And so it goes on and on; you can use dozens of similar examples, all serving the purpose of my argument: our crowds, or what's left of them, are getting the wrong type of soccer.

*** To dissect the case: let's first agree that the majority of our spectators, at NSL level, are neither British nor Australians.

I'd be very surprised if an average crowd at South Melbourne, Olympic, Marconi, Preston, St George, etc. would have 10 per cent of spectators from Anglo-Saxon background. No — they are Greeks, Italians, Macedonians, Hungarians and other "ethnics".

Now, contrast this with the fact that of the 16 NSL clubs, 12 have British coaches (and here I include the lone Aussie, Ken Kaiser) against the four Continentals: Arok, Bottalco, Abonyi and Kistemaker.

Not terribly surprisingly, all our teams are dominated by British players or Australians whose style is similar.

Let's see the exceptions: Sydney City: Gomez, Borges (and I almost included here, because of their style, Watson and Boden, too...)

St George: Marton, Petkovic.

Marconi: Djordjevic (hardly ever used).

Olympic: Katoslos (learned his soccer in Athens' streets. Lezhahar, a Serbian (veteran, usually injured).

Newcastle: None (but Cotton is almost non-British in style).

Canberra: Brennan. St Melbourne: Crino.

Hellberg: Toro.

Preston: Opasinas, Todorovski, Odzakov, Ilioski, Lucchi.

Footscray: Hazabent, Curovic, Lujic, Belic.

Adelaide City: None.

West Adelaide: None.

Lions: None.

Brisbane City: None.

So, with the exception of Preston and Footscray, the presence of Continental-type players is negligible.

And all this for a basically Continental market...

It's almost the same as if you were trying to sell them meat pies or haggis instead of pizza, cevapci, moussaka and langos; your business would soon go to the wall.

Years ago, in the early 1960s when soccer was booming, the ratio of Continental and South American players was much higher.

I find it really perplexing why our clubs — with one or two exceptions — don't recognise this simple fact.

At the risk of committing some sort of sacrilege I'm prepared to argue that it's the absence of "pure skill" imports that is a vital contributing factor to our falling attendances.

You do need the British grit, not to mention the local content — but these two ingredients seem to lack the old flavor we once enjoyed and which happened to pack the terraces years ago.

Our game today is far too mechanical, stereotyped and combative to be entertaining; every match produces a huge physical battle but very few moments of sophistication.

It would be still acceptable if our crowds were made up of 90 per cent of Australian and British fans — but it is clearly rejected by the vast "ethnic" majority which still clings to the romantic notion that soccer is a game, not unarmed combat.



Left to right: Vito Cilauro, Morris McEvitt (Ametco), John Dintzis, Lew Stafeura, Don Blair (Ametco), Gus Uberti (Ametco) and Fred Hutchison, VSF Life Member. Picture by LES SHORROCK

TRAVEL WITH THE VSF

The Victorian Soccer Federation, in conjunction with Ametco Travel Pty Ltd, has launched itself into a new sphere, the travel and leisure business.

The Federation's new venture will be known as the VSF Travel Club, which will offer substantial savings on overseas travel and accommodation packages to members of soccer clubs Australia-wide.

To qualify for their discount, all soccer-follower has to do is to register with the travel club by returning the coupon on page 2.

The idea of the travel club is the brainchild of VSF Publicity and Promotions officer Lou

Stafeura who said at the launch last week that the scheme offers a tremendous opportunity for profit to member clubs.

"It's a four-way involvement between the VSF, Ametco, the member and his soccer club," says Stafeura, "and all will benefit."

Ametco Travel, through director Morris McEvitt and VSF life member Fred Hutchison already is well known to our readers through its sponsorship of the State League Player of the Year and the State top goalscorer awards.

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The draw will be made at the VSF Annual General Meeting in October.

BORAL BRICKS

Wollongong striker Phil O'Connor has overtaken previous leader Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg) in the voting for the Boral Bricks \$1500 Australian Player of the Year award.

O'Connor polled five votes, while Yankos polled only one at the weekend, leaving O'Connor four votes ahead.

Alan Davidson (South Melbourne Hellas) remains in third place although he did not poll any votes on Sunday, while Neil Banfield (Adelaide Juventus) moves to within one point of Davidson, in fourth place.

Steve Bryant (Canberra) and Paul Burke (Newcastle) join David Ratcliffe (St. George) in equal sixth place.

Marshall Soper (Sydney Olympic) is the new leader in the Boral Bricks \$1000 top scorer's award.

His two against Heidelberg give him a total of 11 — one more than second-placed John Bradley (APIA).

Steve Bryant (Canberra) notched two against Brisbane City, lifting his total to eight.

This week's votes:

FOOTSCRAY JUST 1 (Patton) **ADELAIDE CITY JUVENUS 1** (Dods) at Schintler Reserve. Crowd about 1000.

Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Flounders (AC), 5. Carter (AC), 4. Banfield (AC), 3. Blair (AC), 2. Nyskohus (AC), 1. Patton (JUST).

BRISBANE LIONS 1 (J. Stewart) **WOLLONGONG 2** (Cotton, O'Connor) at Richlands. Crowd about 250. Votes by Ricky Rosso:

6. Hunter (BL), 5. O'Connor (W), 4. J. Stewart (BL), 3. Dunleavy (W), 2. Niven (BL), 1. Vardareff (W).

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Brown) **APIA-LEICHHARDT 0** at Middle Park. Crowd about 4000. Votes by Peter Desira:

6. Crino (SM), 5. Halford (SM), 4. Xanthopoulos (SM), 3. Tredinnick (APIA), 2. Parkes (APIA), 1. Egan (SM).

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 **PRESTON MADE DONIA 0** at Hindmarsh Stadium. Crowd about 1000. Votes by Frank Pangallo:

6. Jones (Mak), 5. Lucchesi (Mak), 4. Todorovski (Mak), 3. Heys (A), 2. Amey (WA), 1. Wilson (Mak).

MARCONI-FAIRFIELD 4 (Djordjevic, 2. Brown, Sermanni) **ST GEORGE BUDAPEST 0** at Marconi Stadium. Crowd: 3788. Votes by Alex Fesic:

6. Djordjevic (M), 5. James (M), 4. Bozanic (M), 3. Calderan (M), 2. Brown (M), 1. Licata (M).

CANBERRA ARROWS 2 (Bryant 2 incl. pen.) **BRISBANE CITY 0** at Bruce Stadium. Crowd: 2223. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6. Bryant (C), 5. Perry (BC), 4. Farina (C), 3. Walsh (C), 2. Wishart (BC), 1. Cole (C).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 3 (Soper 2, Paterson) **HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 9** at St George Stadium. Crowd: 3924. Votes by Knut Werner:

6. Paterson (SO), 5. Phillips (SO), 4. Herbert (SO), 3. Katholous (SO), 2. Lea (H'berg), 1. Yankos (H'berg).

Leaders:
58 P. O'Connor (W),
54 Yankos (H).

52 Davidson (SM), 51. Banfield (AC), 46. Greedy (St.G), 44. Bryant (C), Ratcliffe (St.G), Burke (N), 43. Odzakovic (Mak), 41. Sermanni (Mak), 39. Jones (Mak), Lowe (N), Bradley (APIA), 37. Kyriakoulas (JUST), 36. Hoszowski (C), Heys (WA), 35. Crino (SM), Carroll (JUST), Tokes (BC), 34. B. Nyskohus (AC), 33. Honeyman (WA), R. Stewart (BL), Lucchesi, G. Campbell (Mak), 32. Wright (BL), Boland (JUST), 31. Katholous (SO), Hunter (BL), 30. Bertogna, P. Tredinnick (APIA), Farina (C), Halford (SM), Paterson (SO), J. Watson (SC), Hamilton (BC), 29. Gibson (C), Henderson (Mak), McMillan (Mak), Belic (JUST), 28. Vlietstra (W), 27. Sreen (St.G), 26. Gray, Mariani (APIA), 25. T. Byrne (C), Blair (SM), S. O'Connor (SC), G. Watson (N).

Top scorers:
11. Soper (SO),
10. Bradley (APIA),
9. Lucchesi, Ward (Mak), Kosmina (SC),
8. Bryant (C), Egan (SM), O'Connor, Cotton (W),
7. R. Brown (Mak),
6. D. Brown (SM), Katholous (SO), Paton (JUST), Lowe, Mountford (N), Hamilton (BC),
5. Gibson (C), Jankovics, Bozanic (Mak), Paterson (SO), Slater (St.G), Lea (H), Gomez (SC), Wright (BL), Odzakovic (Mak), Mullen (AC), Morsello (APIA).

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Bertogna returns, Soper out Ward in doubt as Hellas threatens Makedonia's lead

By LAURIE SCHWAB



Preston Makedonia, beaten only twice in its past 33 games, defends its league leadership at Connor Reserve on Sunday against South Melbourne Hellas which is unbeaten for six weeks now.

The match is expected to draw one of the biggest crowds of the season, and will be featured on Channel 0/28 at 7.30 on Sunday night.

Sydney City Hakoah, now only two points behind Makedonia, will be hoping for a Hellas victory.

Hakoah then would take over league leadership, providing it beats APIA-Leichhardt at Lambert Park.

That however, is in no way a foregone conclusion. Let's remember that APIA lost only 0-1 to Hellas last weekend, despite the absence of both centre backs, Arno Bertogna and Bertie Mariani, which caused a drastic team reshuffle.

Bertogna is back on Sunday after serving a suspension and if Mariani also returns, coach F. Bortolotto can revert to his strongest line-up, pushing talented Tony Morsello from midfield back into attack, where he would partner Peter Sharpe and John Bradley. Ian Gray would move back into the midfield. He filled one of the centre-back positions against Hellas.

Hellas is ticking over nicely, picking up regular points and getting consistent performances now from Murray Barnes, Ian Souness and Alex Robertson.

But one has to be impressed by the talent in the APIA line-up, and I expect APIA at least to draw.

That probably won't change much at the top of the ladder, because I believe the Makedonia-Hellas match also will end in a draw.

So it was last time, when neither team managed to score at Middle Park.

Of course Makedonia has a slight edge, for it has the best home record in the league — eight wins, two draws, no loss, 22-7 goals.

Against that record we must consider Hellas's new-found confidence, the brilliance of midfielders Alan Davidson and Oscar Crino, and the possible absence of Makedonia striker Gary Ward, plus the danger posed by Doug Brown.

Ward injured an ankle in Makedonia's scoreless draw with West Adelaide Hellas last Sunday and had X-rays taken during the week.

Brown, who transferred from Makedonia to Hellas early this year, scored twice against Makedonia in his first game for Hellas. That was in a National Cup match, which Hellas won 4-0.

However, if Brown poses a threat to his former team, so does George Campbell.

Campbell switched to Makedonia in a swap for Brown, and is determined to show Hellas what a mistake it made in ditching him.

The stakes are much higher for Makedonia in this match. Makedonia wants desperately to win the championship, while Hellas, knowing it is too far behind the leaders to pose a realistic threat, will enjoy the game a lot more.

Providing Ward is fit, neither coach is likely to make any changes, although it's always possible that Peter Ollerton may include himself in the Makedonia side to help call the shots.

Zoran Ilieski's form has been down lately, resulting in his omission against West Adelaide last Sunday. Isaac Farrell retained a place in the midfield, and George McMillan went to the centre-forward position for the second half, after Ward was injured.

One of Makedonia's strengths is that its players are extremely versatile — able to do a variety of jobs depending on the nature of

This week's NSL games, with likely winners in capitals:

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED v Canberra Arrows at International Sports Centre, 3pm.

Record: Newc. 6 wins, 1 draw, 4 losses, 21 18 goals.

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER v FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. at Olympic Village, 3pm.

Record: H'berg 7 wins, 4 draws, 1 loss, 24 14 goals.

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST v SYDNEY OLYMPIC at St. George Stadium, 3pm.

Record: Syd. Olymp. 5 wins, 1 draw, 3 losses, 16 10 goals.

WOLLONGONG v MARCONI-FAIRFIELD at Ziems Park, 3pm.

Record: W'gong 2 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses, 11 10 goals.

BRISBANE CITY v BRISBANE LIONS at Spencer Park, 3pm.

Record: Brisb. L. 5 wins, 3 draws, 5 losses, 16 15 goals.

APIA-LEICHHARDT v Sydney City Hakoah (draw) at Lambert Park, 3pm.

Record: Syd. C. 6 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses, 21 9 goals.

PRESTON-MAKEDONIA v South Melbourne Hellas (draw) at Connor Reserve, 3pm.

Record: Hellas 1 win, 3 draws, 1 loss, 4 3 goals.

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENUS v West Adelaide Hellas at Olympic Sports Field, 2.30 pm.

Record: Adel. C. 8 wins, 2 draws, 3 losses, 22 11 goals.

The match. Ollerton no doubt will be thinking long and hard throughout the week about how he will use his men this time. Heidelberg-Alexander and Footscray J.U.S.T. will be locked in another fierce local derby a few kilometres away, at the Olympic Village.

J.U.S.T., although unimpressive against Adelaide City Juventus, is unbeaten for six weeks, while Alexander has won only once in nine weeks.

The form certainly points to a J.U.S.T. victory. Joe Carroll will be back in J.U.S.T.'s starting line-up, probably at the expense of Ian Purdie. Carroll was used only as a substitute against 'Juve'.

Heidelberg, which has slipped to third-last position, would overtake J.U.S.T. by winning. If J.U.S.T. triumphs, Heidelberg will be left five points behind and probably would finish last among the Melbourne clubs.

Heidelberg's primitive training facilities must have at least something to do with the team's poor form. The training pitch is useful and so are the lights.

The team's ordinary results are also the result of the club's priorities this year. Instead of spending more to strengthen the team, the club has concentrated instead on upgrading the ground.

Now blessed with a first-class stand, Heidelberg next year will aim at lifting itself up the ladder, and coach Ken Morton already has drawn up a list of possible recruits.

Local derbies provide extra spice throughout the country this week, with St. George meeting Sydney Olympic, Brisbane City clashing with Brisbane Lions and Adelaide City Juventus meeting West Adelaide Hellas.

St. George Budapest has slipped up suddenly. Once a threat for the title, Budapest has paid the price of having a largely unproductive forward line this year, and looks doomed again when it comes up against Olympic.

But Olympic will play without Marshall Soper, top scorer in the league. He was cautioned against Heidelberg last weekend, and now has to serve a suspension.

Adelaide Juventus has key players in peak form — particularly Neville Flounders, Les Carter and Neil Banfield — but is not getting the best from its forwards, and may benefit from the inclusion of Glen Dods against West Adelaide on Sunday.

Newcastle must beat Canberra at home on Saturday to re-establish its challenge for league leadership, and may be strengthened by the return of Grant Lee who has been out with a hamstring injury.

National League standings

Last week's standings in brackets.

	W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A	Gls	Pts
1. (1) Preston Makedonia	8	2	0	22	7		3	5	2	12	9	34	16
2. (2) Sydney City Hakoah	7	3	0	18	6		4	2	4	12	16	30	22
3(3) Newcastle KB United	5	3	3	13	7		5	0	4	18	11	31	18
4. (6) Sydney Olympic	5	2	3	17	9		4	2	4	13	11	30	21
5. (4) APIA-Leichhardt	7	1	2	22	9		2	1	7	11	17	33	29
6. (8) Marconi-Fairfield	5	2	3	19	15		3	3	4	14	13	33	28
7. (5) St. George Budapest	4	4	1	11	7		3	4	4	11	12	22	19
8. (9) South Melbourne Hellas	4	3	4	14	14		4	2	3	12	14	26	28
9. (10) Canberra Arrows	6	3	1	23	10		2	1	7	12	20	35	30
10. (7) Brisbane City	4	4	2	17	15		3	3	4	8	17	25	32
11. (11) Footscray J.U.S.T.	4	3	3	11	17		2	3	6	15	15	17	32
12. (3) West Adelaide Hellas	4	4	4	13	15		1	4	3	4	9	17	24
13. (14) Adelaide City Juventus	3	2	5	10	12		6	2	6	13	15	23	22
14. (12) Heidelberg-Alexander	5	1	3	13	7		0	6	5	7	19	20	22
15. (15) Brisbane Lions	5	0	5	18	16		0	3	7	8	26	26	18
16. (16) Wollongong	0	6	3	12	24		2	3	6	16	24	27	40

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NSL team of the week

In brackets: No. of appearances in team of the week.

PERRY (2)	FLAUNDER (1)	JONES (3)	HUNTER (3)
(Brisb. City)	(Adel. C. Juve)	(Makedonia)	(Brisb. Lions)
HALFORD (2)	CRINO (3)	BRYANT (3)	
(SM-Hellas)	(SM-Hellas)	(Canberra)	
LUCCHESI (4)	PATERSON (1)	DJORDJEVIC (2)	
(Makedonia)	(Syd. Olympic)	(Marconi)	

LOU BRODIC: KING OF THE PERSIAN GULF

Lou Brodic applied for the job of Australian national team coach in 1974. The telax he received notifying him of his failure to gain the appointment said that the ASF wanted to appoint a younger man. Brodic, 70, will end his contract with Saudi Arabian club Hail in May next year and will return to Australia for good.

He laughs when he thinks back to that ASF telax. Our ASF bosses had told a former Yugoslav New Zealand, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Egypt national coach, a man who coached Juventus of Turin, Barcelona, PSV Eindhoven and Red Star Belgrade, a man who played for Red Star Belgrade, a man with Australian coaching experience gained at base of South Melbourne Hellas, a man lauded as a soccer saviour by the Kuwaitis and Saudis, simply: "Thanks but no thanks."

"The Arabs respect experience. Not so here. There are no old or young coaches, just efficient and inefficient ones. Chronologically I am 70 years old. Physiologically I feel like I'm 50. I'm coming back to stay next year and I want to work with young players at a national level but if I'm not wanted, I couldn't care less," said Brodic, presently holidaying in Melbourne.

Brodic predicts that the Saudis will emerge within two years as the greatest Arab soccer country, a staggering claim in the light of Algerian and Kuwaiti success at last year's World Cup finals in Spain.

"At the end of this year the Saudi government will build new stadiums for all 12 First Division clubs. But the key to the emergence of the Saudis, just as it was with my work in Kuwait, will be the development of young players."

"In Kuwait in the early 1970s I started from scratch as national team coach. The population of the country is about 1,250,000

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

and almost 1,000,000 of these are foreigners working there. That leaves a very small population of locals from which to build a national team. Nevertheless, the Kuwaiti government was very strong in its support for soccer. Just like the Saudis will do at the end of this year, the Kuwaitis gave every First Division club a modern stadium, fully grassed, with two or three training pitches.

Gymnasiums were built, excellent floodlighting installed, everything you could wish for. But the standard of the older First Division players was poor. I found young boys with above average talent and worked on them. That was the secret of our success. You need the facilities, sure, but you have to develop your young players properly.

"That is an area of improvement I've seen here since I coached South Melbourne Hellas in the 1960's. Back in those days, few clubs had more than two or three junior teams and these youngsters were looked after by unqualified coaches. Australian youngsters still need better coaching. These lads have great potential. I find young Australians to have outstanding physical qualities but their technique is not as good as it should be."

"The big mistake the Saudis made a few years ago was to try to buy success. They imported the most expensive coaches in the world but it didn't work. I started the first soccer academy there and in a few years time we will see the benefit of the young players being developed there."

"I estimate that the Saudis are about 20 years behind Europe. They may never catch up, but they will improve dramatically. The big thing against them is their lack of professionalism. Rich people run the clubs, people who don't know anything about professional soccer. These people are far too permissive. They tolerate lack of punctuality and a general unsporting li-

festyle from their players. That's not good enough."

Brodic was an outstanding centre half with Red Star. He was exceptional in the air, with the ability — unusual in the 1920s and 1930s — to come forward and score.

He played only a few games for Yugoslavia. He coached Red Star after the Second World War and was Yugoslav national coach from 1948 to 1952. From 1947 to 1954 he was Professor of Football at the State Institute in Belgrade. Brodic left Yugoslavia for good in 1954. He was Egyptian national team coach, then took up a club appointment with Dutch giant PSV Eindhoven. He coached Italian giant Juventus in the 1950s, winning the First Division championship twice, spent a year with Barcelona, a year with Tenerife in the Canary Islands, then was New Zealand national team coach in 1962, 63, 64.

He had a gentleman's agreement with the then president of the NZ association, the late Mr Bob Smith, that once he had served his contract, the association would help to win citizenship for him. Smith's untimely death and the failure of his predecessor to uphold that verbal agreement forced Brodic to come to Australia, to coach South Melbourne Hellas.

"Frankly, gaining citizenship was my prime motivation in coming to this part of the world. It certainly wasn't the money because I was getting \$60 a week in New Zealand and Australia. After serving a two-year contract with Hellas I was granted permanent residency."

Just two weeks after Brodic ended his contract with Hellas he was offered and accepted the position of Kuwait national coach. Since then he's absorbed himself in developing soccer in the Persian Gulf.

Now, he's ready to retire from full-time club coaching. He'll settle here next year. There won't be a Saudi available for hire sign around his neck. His record says it all.

Marconi 4
St George 0

Scorers: Djordjevic 45', 76', Brown 59', Sermanni 85'.
Ground: Marconi Stadium
Referee: R. Davies 8
Crowd: 3798
Yellow cards: M. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, J. O'Shea
Red card: M. O'Shea

MARCONI: James 8, Bozanic 9, Rizzotto 7, Calderan 8, Henderson 7, McCulloch 7, Sermanni 7, Carbone 7, Brown 7, Djordjevic 9, Licata 7 (Hunter 85').

ST GEORGE BUDAPEST: Greedy 5, Skeen 7, R. O'Shea 5, Barton 6, Ratcliffe 7, M. O'Shea 6 (sent off), Slater 7, Stone 5, Wilkinson 5, J. O'Shea 6, Marton 6 (Petkovich 69').

Jovan Djordjevic, the man who was almost forgotten at Marconi and came into the side at the expense of the injured Mark Jankovic, was the toast of his club's 4-0 victory.

He mesmerised Saints' defence with some great runs and accurate through balls then chimed in with two goals which had the local crowd chanting his name.

It was Djordjevic who touched the game into a scintilla after an uneventful first half. With neither side able to create an opportunity, Terry Greedy, the Australian keeper, let a helping hand. A high cross by Licata was palmed away by Greedy to the feet of Djordjevic and a left footer from the edge of the box sent the ball crashing past David Skeen who was on the line for St George.

That was the tonic this match needed.

Soon after half time Saints had their chance to level but alas, star striker Dez Marton managed to hit Bruce James from some seven metres after a neat one-two with Slater.

Minutes later Djordjevic stroked past three defenders, then lobbed Greedy only to see his shot go over the bar. In the 58th he was again involved in a move which saw Sermanni thread his pass through for Licata. A quick cross followed and Rod Brown was at the far post to volley home No. 2.

Following a free kick by Bozanic in the 78th, Djordjevic was on the spot to pick up a rebound to score, then Sermanni scored with a header following a cross by Licata with five minutes remaining.

It was a thoroughly deserved win by Marconi.

Apart from Djordjevic it was Bruce James who kept



Alex Vesic

Marconi in the match. With the scores level in the first period James made two brilliant saves, then denied Marton and Slater from point-blank range during the second period.

Saints had little to crow about, with the three O'Shea

brothers suffering at the hands of referee Roger Davis. Michael, Robert and John O'Shea received yellow cards, with Michael O'Shea being sent off in the 76th for holding back Rod Brown.

For Marconi Rod Brown, Vic Borzanic and Steve Calderan played their hearts out, with Rene Licata prominent during the second period.

"How could I change this team?" said Doug Collins, the Marconi coach, after the match, an obvious reference to the display of Djordjevic.

This will now leave Collins with a happy poser. Who will be on the reserve bench next week?

Flounders, Carter outplay J.U.S.T.

Foots JUST 1
Adel. City 1

Scorers: JUST: Paton 18th; Adel: Dods 84th.
Venue: Schintlor Reserve
Crowd: about 1000.
Referee: Chris Bambridge 9.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Boland 6 — Curovic 7, Kyriakoulis 7, Fiedt 7, Hasbani 7, McDowell 6, Belic 6, O'Donnell 7 — Paton 7 — Purdie 6 (Carroll 69th), Lujic 6.

COACH: Bobby McLachlan. ADELAIDE CITY JUVENILES: Flounders 7 — Cole 7, Banfield 8, Flounders 9, Nyshokus 7 — Melia 7, Blair 7, Carter 8 — Rankin 5, Mullen 6, Maxwell 5 (Dods 73rd).

COACH: Bobby Ferguson. Substitute: Glenn Dods salvaged this draw for Adelaide City with a goal six minutes from the end.

Adelaide City was the better team but trailed for most of the match after Jamie Paton had scored for J.U.S.T. in the 18th minute.

Neville Flounders, the tall centreback, and midfielder Les Carter, starred for Adelaide City, while sweeper Neil Banfield also was impressive.

Carter however, missed two excellent chances to win the match for the visitors — the first in the 37th minute when he ran past Gary McDowell and Suleiman Curovic only to shoot over the bar, and the second in the 55th minute when he missed from a similar position.

It was an improved performance by Adelaide City which has won only one of its past 10 games.

J.U.S.T. undefeated for six weeks, failed to produce the good form it showed in beating Sydney Olympic, Marconi and Sydney City.

Laurie Schwab

J.U.S.T. coach Bobby McLachlan surprised the local fans by leaving out star forward Joe Carroll who was back after a one week suspension.

McLachlan retained Ian Purdie until finally bringing on Carroll as a substitute in the 69th minute.

By then J.U.S.T. was defending a one-goal lead provided by Paton who combined well with Purdie before placing his shot just past goal keeper Willie McNally.

Sergei Melia would have scored for Adelaide City except for good defensive work by Brian O'Donnell and Flounders was lucky not to score an own goal with a header that beat goalkeeper McNally just before half-time.

Flounders brushed off his embarrassment in the second half when he drove his team into attack, with the help of Carter and Banfield.

However, while the rest of the Adelaide City team performed creditably, forwards Mullen, Rankin and Maxwell were marked out of the match by J.U.S.T. defenders.

Dods replaced Maxwell in the 73rd minute.

Six minutes from the end, Flounders forced the ball to the edge of the area, the defenders kicked it out to the left and Dods, surging forward, planted a powerful shot into the top corner for the equalising goal.

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN

To hell with the fans and players

Items in diminishing supply deserve special care, if not loving attention. Here I refer to our spectators.

Instead, far too often they're getting a rough, shoddy or outright arrogant treatment.

The NSL "result service" during matches works at some grounds — and borders on comic opera at others.

Unverified and unchecked "progress scores" are announced which then turn out to be totally false.

Recently at a Sydney ground we heard that Canberra was leading St. George 2-0. Fine. Later that evening we heard that the scores went 1-0, 1-1, 2-1, 2-2, etc. No 2-0 at all.

At the same club's lobby, minutes after the full round of matches, the results were put up on a board. One read: South Melbourne v Brisbane City 1-1.

Then it turned out to be 3-1.

Where do these false scores come from? Isn't there any sure-fire way of checking before releasing them to an unsuspecting public?

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The next cause of annoyance is the numbering of players — which should be a simple enough task.

The ground announcer receives a carbon copy of the official team sheet, SIGNED BY THE REFEREE — and reads off the numbers of players.

Which turns out to be wrong.

Footscray J.U.S.T., when it played Marconi in Sydney not long ago, had a player with No. 15 on his back — but not on the team sheet.

Don't referees check the team sheets and the numbering before the game? If not — how the heck do they know what they have cautioned if his number may not be on the team sheet at all?

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Further to the damn-the-public gripe.

What threat or inducement would make Adelaide City Juventus change its shirt numbers?

Some genius in that club "designed" red numbers which melt into the black and white zebra stripes. Even with 20-20 vision, you can't read them from more than 10 metres, let alone on TV.

Adelaide City doesn't need to go to Dior or even Zara Holt for design ideas — all it has to do is copy its "sister" club, Juventus of Turin.

It also plays in black and white stripes. On the back of the shirt is a big black square — and in the middle clearly visible white numbers.

I guess it's too complicated for our friends in Adelaide...

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I think I mentioned this before — but it bears repeating once more: a section of APJA Leichhardt's Lamber Park represents mortal danger to the players.

The area in front of the burnt-out stand has no safety railing or netting, the brick wall encasing the dressing rooms is no more than three or four metres from the playing field.

All that's needed is for a player, at full pelt, to be tackled close to the touchline by an opponent coming from the wrong angle — and one, perhaps both players will smash against the wall at terrifying speed.

I know Leichhardt's ground is Council owned. I also know that the club is trying to establish a more stable home. But even so, it manages it — couldn't some measures be taken — even sandbags against the wall — to eliminate the risk of a horrible injury bound to happen sooner or later?

Thomson says KB finished

Syd. City 1
Newcastle 0

Scorers: Kosmina 2nd minute.

Venue: Grahame Park, Gosford.

Crowd: 3121.

Referee: Peter Ramplay 7.

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH: Pezzano 8 — Cant 7, Robertson 7, O'Connor 7, Souness 7 — Watson 7, Barnes 8, Borges 6, Gomez 6 — Kosmina 7, Murray 6. Coach: Eddie Thomson.

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED: Gosling 7 — Maier 7, Burke 8, Watson 8, H. Tredinnick 7, Kirby 7, Mason 8, Sonakata 7, Jones 6 — Lowe 6, Mountford 6. Coach: Ken Kaiser.

A great save by Sydney Hakoah stand-in goalkeeper Tony Pezzano was all that was needed to save his team two competition points in the NSL match against Newcastle United in Gosford.

Newcastle's only scoring chance came from a glancing header by striker Bob Mountford in the 76th minute, but Pezzano, standing in for regular keeper Todd Clarke, flung out his right hand in spectacular fashion to palm the ball away.

Apart from that second-half chance Hakoah was in a tight control and went on to win 1-0 on a very bumpy Grahame Park surface.

Their loan goal came after just two minutes from Soccer striker John Kosmina.

Captain Murray Barnes made a run down the left flank, laid back a ball to full-back Ian Souness, who then sent a 40 metre cross directed to the far post.

Kosmina was unmarked and headed in.

Scoring chances were limited but that was not surprising as the ball was extremely difficult to control on a ground that Slickers' coach Eddie Thomson later described as one of the worst he'd been this year.

Yet it was Sydney City's decision to take the match to Gosford for promotional reasons.

One of the poorest-drawing clubs in Sydney, Hakoah would have been pleased to see a crowd response — the official figure was 3,121.

Despite being a rugged encounter, featuring some tough tackling, referee Peter Ramplay

I've no regrets we played in Gosford," coach Thomson said after the match.

"But if we'd played at the Sydney Athletic Field I'm sure we'd have given Newcastle a hiding."

"The conditions were so bad that it was impossible for the two teams to entertain."

Thomson doesn't regard Newcastle a threat to the championship any longer.

He paid tribute to his defence, especially fullback Souness and sweeper Alex Robertson.

Robertson marked young Soccer striker David Lowe out of the game and stopper Steve O'Connor was just as effective on Mountford.

It was a thoroughly deserved win by Marconi.

Apart from Djordjevic it was Bruce James who kept

Abonyi, Aston, Fernandez in action

Canberra 2
Bris. City 0

Venue: Bruce Stadium.

Crowd: 2223.

Referee: Bryant penalty 9th, 56th.

Referee: Bob Mee 7.

CANBERRA: Hosozowski 8, Young 7, Murray 7 (Stone 53rd, 71), Walsh 8, Ambrosino 7, Cole 7, Bryant 9, Gibson 7, Fennie 8, Redmond 7, MacLaren 7.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 8, Caird 7, Liddell 7, Perry 9, Wilkinson 7, Fabrizio 7, Pimblett 7, Bromfield 7, Glockner 7, Falco 7, Hughes 7.

Canberra will take on local State League Inter Monaro in a friendly match at Bruce Stadium



Peter Windsor

this Sunday, the day after the Arrows travel to Newcastle to play KB.

Abonyi will pull on his boots for the Arrows in their friendly game. The club is trying to arrange for former coach Vic Fernandez and former Soccer star Adrian "Noddy" Alston to play alongside Abonyi.

Midfielder Steve Bryant, a player who walked in off the

street to offer his services, was Canberra's man of the match as he cracked home, both his team's goals in a lightning 2-0 defeat of Brisbane City.

Bryant's goals came from the penalty spot after nine minutes and 11 minutes into the second half.

The second goal was incredible.

It was scored direct from an in-swinging corner kick — with a little help from the list of Brisbane's goalkeeper Kim Wishart.

Yet, territorially, Brisbane City more than matched Canberra. It had some build-ups but lacked finish once near goal.

It missed top goal scorer Bobby Hamilton, who was sidelined with a knee injury, and coach Jim Hermiston

summed up the result by saying: "We need to be more hungry for goals."

"It's no use being creative from the midfield if you never look like finding the net," he added.

In contrast Canberra Arrows coach Ati Abonyi commented: "We didn't play well but we got the three points — and we needed them."

Canberra started with surgical precision and when full-back Frank Liddell told Bryant the goal mouth referee Bob Mee immediately awarded the spot kick which Bryant converted.

Canberra then went to sleep and Brisbane controlled a huge chunk of the remaining play.

However, once Canberra got two goals clear, combined with Brisbane's poor finishing, only one result was possible.

O'Connor wins it in last minute

Brisb. Lions 1
Wollongong 2

Scorers: W: Cotton 34th, O'Connor 90th; BL: John Stewart 14th.

Venue: Richlands.

Crowd: about 250.

Conditions: raining.

Referee: Bill Monteverde 8.

LIONS: Lownds 7, McKimmings 5, Vasquez 5, Hunter 8 (Donohue 68th), Nixon 7, John Stewart 8, Russell Stewart 6, Ogden 6, Hogg 5, Dault 7, Wright 5.

WOLLONGONG: Vardareff 7, Willis 6, Dunlavy 6, Castro 6, Kerr 7, Ainsworth 6, Dickson 6, Fleming 7, Cotton 7, Dummert 6, O'Connor 8.

Brisbane Lions and Wollongong will fight out the National League wooden



Ricky Rosso

That was plainly obvious after the two clashed at Richlands last weekend.

Neither team showed the initiative nor the ability that would enable them to string three or four wins together which would be necessary for them to play their way out of the relegation zone.

Lions lack a player up front who can be relied upon to put away the chances while Wollongong doesn't have a mid-

field playmaker who can get into dangerous goal-scoring areas, Phil O'Connor.

Wollongong, urged on by a band of more than 500 supporters who travelled north for the vital game, started in a flurry of attack but was soon pushed back into its own half.

The lead-up to the opening goal by John Stewart in the 14th minute was superb.

Alan Hunter sent a searching long ball down the right to find Steve Hogg who laid it into Bob McKimmings.

The Lions' full-back crossed to the penalty spot where Danny Wright, on a call from Stewart, flicked a header back towards.

Stewart, who had ghosted in at the back, hit the ball perfectly into the far side of the goal.

The scene looked set for a

But then Wollongong's Roy Cotton scored after 90 seconds of the second half but it was a short-lived revival and they seemed content to settle for a point rather than nothing.

Lions didn't look like scoring at the other end and the match became a bore.

Suddenly, just as everyone was preparing to leave, Wollongong snatched the vital winner. Roy Cotton played a nice cross ball that found Phil Kerr, overlapping down the left. He was tackled by Hogg but regained the ball to cross to O'Connor, the most dangerous Wollongong player, who used his zippy and skills to turn the Lions defence and put the ball

Fans fail to get money's worth

West Adel 0 Makedonia 0

Venue: Hindmarsh Stadium.
Crowd: 1,000.

Cautions: Todorovski, McMillan (Makedonia), Honeyman (W.A. Hellas).

Referee: A. Martell 7.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA'S second visit to Adelaide within seven days wasn't as rewarding as the first.

Ward (Hioski 41) 6; Lucchesi 9; Campbell 7.

WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS: Sproul 7; Amey 8; Dunn 6; Harris 6; Doorne 7; Papazoglou 7; Atsalas 7; Honeyman 7; Heys 8; Calandaris 7; Brown 7.

Preston Makedonia's second visit to Adelaide within seven days wasn't as rewarding as the first.

And the fans were somewhat cheated, too.

While a gusty wind blowing down the ground didn't make for quality football, the standard served up to the paying customers was atrocious.

Had both Adelaide clubs followed St George coach Frank Arok's short-lived promotion of giving fans their money back if not satisfied, Juventus and Hellas's coffers would now

be showing an embarrassing shortfall.

There's no question the playing standard has slipped remarkably over the past two seasons and it's saying something when the most memorable game of the season in Adelaide was an exhibition fixture featuring George Best.

There was little to enthuse about in this game. One would have expected Makedonia to have torn West Adelaide to shreds considering the league positions of both clubs. As it was, it was no different than say, seeing a middle-order side taking on a lowly team.

Makedonia's game relied heavily on its tough defence and although Lucchesi tried hard all day, the tactics of long balls and hefty clearances was never going to suit either team.

In effect, it was aerial tennis with congestion in mid-field. My notebook was devoid of any attractive attacking moves to even discuss in this review, let alone chances in front of goal.

In fact, if there were a scoreline, it would read West Adelaide 2, Makedonia 0.

Atsalas, with ample time to steady, had mis-kicked from just inside the box for West's best chance of the first half.

Then, in a second half, in which West Adelaide spent more time in Makedonia's half without looking a menace, Honeyman fired a low ground shot into the safe hands of Richard Wilson.



West Adelaide's Steve Atsalas rises above Isaac Farrell of Makedonia.

Heys was West Adelaide's most effective striker — if workrate counts for anything. The hapless little fellow was always under pressure trying to make something of the balls (rather than passes) fired, no, shelled, in his direction.

What action there was came in the heavy body contact that marred the first half. Referee Martell coped well and helped simmer tempers by issuing yellow cards to Honeyman of WestAD and Todorovski and McMillan of Makedonia.

Even though Makedonia was strengthened with the return of Lucchesi and McMillan, it looked unimpressive in respect to being the top contender for the 1983 championship.

West Adelaide again reshuffled its side, bringing in youngsters Papazoglou (full-back), Calandaris (midfield) and Brown (attacking midfielder). While they acquitted themselves well, one quality is still missing from WestAD — two or three class players.

WE THREW IT AWAY: MORTON

Syd. Olympic 3 Heidelberg 0

Scorers: Soper 2, Pater-son.

Venue: St. George Stadium.

Crowd: 3924.

Referee: Doug Rennie 7.

Cautions: Soper (ISO).

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 8 — Condy 7, Herbert 8, Dekas 7, Jennings 8 — Patikas 8, Rogers 8, Katholos 8, Phillips 8 — Soper 8, Pater-son 8. Coach: Tommy Docherty.

HEIDELBERG-ALEXAN-DER: Oliver 5 — McKie 7, Yankos 8, Macleod 8, Tansley 7 — Selemdis 7, Campbell 7, Spanos 7, Poterson 7. Angela 70th Cole 7, Lea 8. Coach: Ken Morton.

Sydney Olympic striker Marshall Soper played the role of hero and villain in his team's 3-0 victory over Heidelberg.

Soper scored a goal in each half as Olympic powered its way to success but the team's fans had their joy tempered when Soper received a yellow card for dissent from referee Doug Rennie in the 75th minute.

The card takes Soper over the penalty points limit and his automatic one-match suspension forces him out of the big match next weekend against St George.

Olympic's control of the midfield gave it almost complete domination of the match. It also was helped by poor finishing which cost Heidelberg at least five goals; and by goalkeeper Jeff Oliver who made two bad mistakes.

Derek Lea broke through four times in ten minutes early in the second half but hit each shot high or wide of the goal.

"Olympic didn't win the game, we won it for them," said disappointed Heidelberg coach Ken Morton.

In the 17th minute, Gary Phillips took a long throw from the right sideline to catch Oliver out of position. The ball floated over the keeper's hands to Soper who had an easy tap-in.

Oliver was again in trouble 13 minutes later when Graham Jennings galloped down the left side and his cross was fumbled by the keeper to Steve Pater-son who had an equally easy header to score.

Soper was almost in again a few minutes before half time from another long throw by Phillips but put the ball over the bar.

The final goal was scored 11 minutes from fulltime when Soper charged between Oliver and defender Ian McKie to whip a loose ball into the far corner of the net.

Lea was left unmarked and outpaced the Olympic defence for most of the second half but was unable to control his shots.

Heidelberg played with a strong breeze in the second half and judicious long kicks by Jim Tansley and Theo Selemdis sent Lea away as the Olympic defence concentrated on keeping former Soccerco striker Gary Cole out of the attack.

"It was a worrying period for us with no one marking Lea but fortunately we regained control after a period of scrappy play," said Olympic coach Tommy Docherty.

During the first 20 minutes of the second session, Heidelberg applied maximum pressure, with Olympic scrambling hurried clearances to any part of the field until Martyn Rogers and Phillips restored order in the midfield.

Olympic appreciated the better playing surface at Barton Stadium, where they have transferred from former home ground Pratten Park, and their quick, accurate passing frequently caught the Heidelberg players flat-footed.



West Adelaide forward Graham Heys, surrounded by, from left: Gordon Flavell, Con Opatinis and Zarko Odzakov, at Hindmarsh. Pictures by FRANK HOBBS.



Peter Desira

SM-Hellas 1 APIA 0

Scorer: Brown 62m
Ground: Middle Park
Attendance: 4000 (estimated)

Ref: Stuart Mellings 8.

Cautions: Carter, Blair.

HELLAS: Leunets 7; Russell 7; Xanthopoulos 8; Blair 8; Yzendoorn 7; Davidson 8; Halford 9; Crino 9; Murphy 7; Egan 8; Brown 8. Coach: Len McKendry.

APIA: Parks 8; Carter 7; Gray 6; Bottalico 7; Brown 6; Morsello 7; Butler 8; P. Tredinnick 8; Bradley 6; Valeri 6; Sharne 6. Coach: Fil Bottalico.

Hellas must learn to relax after taking the lead if it is to push home its superior playing advantage, according to coach Len McKendry.

"It will come with experience but if we can iron out the anxiety and get them to relax after scoring the first goal we should win some matches more comfortably," McKendry said after this important win on Sunday.

The match, played at break-neck pace throughout the 90 minutes, was one of the most entertaining seen at Middle Park this year.

APIA had the wind in a first half in which its moves looked slicker and more incisive than those of Hellas.

But it was a completely different story after the break and there was only one team in it, with the Hellas midfield overshadowing its counterparts, Charlie Egan and Doug Brown running the APIA defence ragged and the back four hardly giving top scorer John Bradley or speedster Peter Sharne a look-in.

The star of the match was Oscar Crino who at times seemed to be gliding through the match despite its fast pace, setting up openings galore with some delightful one touch passes and lobs over defenders.

But Carl Halford was not far behind in the voting stakes, because of his unbelievable work-rate. He must have covered every blade of grass over the 90 minutes, tackling ferociously, getting back to cover, and offering himself as a back-up to most of Hellas's attacks.

The other stars of the match were Arthur Xanthopoulos who gave another fine captain's performance and hardly put a foot wrong at the heart of the back four, and Charlie Egan who battled gamely against two central de-

fenders almost twice his size in John Bottalico and Ian Gray.

And it was Egan's dogged persistence that gave Hellas the winner in the 62nd minute. Gray appeared in a seemingly safe situation, in control of the ball, until Egan's presence forced him to move quicker and the striker was in like a flash to rob the ball as the defender stumbled.

With Bottalico racing back to cover, Egan squared the ball across to Doug Brown who hammered it home with aplomb.

Hellas could have hit the lead earlier but for some fine anticipation by goalkeeper Bob Parks.

Parks, forcing former Soccerco Greg Woodhouse into the background for the fifth week in succession, came off his line smartly to reach a great through pass from Ken Murphy and was able to smother the ball before Egan could get a good hold.

Then Crino looked odds-on to score, latching onto a header from Alan Davidson in a corner kick situation to send a low shot close to the right hand post only to see the keeper get down to block before the ball crossed the line.

Referee Stuart Mellings added to the drama, waving play-on despite claims for a penalty when Egan was charged down in the box in a challenge by Paul Carter.

By comparison to Parks' busy second half, Peter Laumets had a holiday. He was called to make two saves in the opening 45 minutes and none after the break.

Tony Morsello, who had an impressive first half but then faded out of the game, weaved his way into the box after only seven minutes but had his shot blocked by the keeper. And Walter Valeri, following up, had his effort turned away for a corner by a defender.

John Bradley, at the start of the day the NSL's leading scorer, was subdued for most of the game but did produce one touch of magic at the 38th minute mark, putting Sharne in the clear with an intelligent through ball.

But Sharne, another to fade badly after a promising start, surprisingly lobbed weakly into Laumets' arms from an ideal position.

Hellas's improved form brought a significant increase in the attendance figure and the Hellas travelling supporters may help Makedonia set a new crowd record at its compact Connor Reserve on Sunday.



Hellas striker Charlie Egan holds off a challenge from APIA's Mark Brown. Pictures by LES SHORROCK.



Peter Sharne (APIA) hurdles Hellas defender Steve Blair.

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Nick Iacobucci

Victorian Division Two club Thomastown, prominent in this season's promotion race, will apply for one of the positions in the State League when the National League is enlarged.

President Nick Iacobucci said the club was confident it could hold its own in a higher sphere because of the depth of junior talent in the club.

Thomastown fields every week the six junior sides pictured on this page, and has upwards of 120 boys on its books.

Mr. Iacobucci says the club is grateful for the help given to it by the Whittlesea Shire, and it hopes that with the Shire's future aid, more junior grounds will soon be established away from Partridge Reserve, in High Street, Thomastown.



Thomastown under 14's from left back row: Tom Kalafatis (coach), Gianpietro Cometti, Danny Jacobovic, Tom Gorgovski, Ralph Tirabassi, Nick Coco, Max Kalafatis, John Kopolitis, Aldo Napoli (team manager). Front row: Tom Vitor, Fulvio Napoli, Mark Pellicano, Umberto Cignelli, Frank Manago, Giuseppe De Luca, Bruno Salerni.



Under 15's, from left: back row: Joe Curcio, Robert Croce, Lupco Stisniovski, Ossie Di Paolo, Jimmy Missandis, Daniel Geraci, Benny Di Marco, John Carfi, Robert Ligfro. Front row: Mario Tottino, Ivan Murador, Michael Malakonas, Carlo Lo Castro, Vince Molinari, Darren Byrne, Sandro Molini.



The under 16's, from left, back row: Peter Arcoraci (manager), Lou Temos (sponsor), George Dimitrijevi, Vince Salvitti, Paul Temos, Sam Boshovski, Nick Iammarino, Joe Ferrante, (Sponsor), Joe Gurieri (Sponsor). Front row: Rosario Chillico, Joe Liucci, John Borg, Zorro Dimovski, John Grozdanov, Mickey Sinni, Nick Nikolovski, Celso Garcia (coach).



Thomastown under 11's, from left, back row: M. Trovatallo, R. Di Martino, Mike Uzelac (coach), S. Innoca, P. Marasco, F. Fedele, M. Samaciccio, D. Dimarco, U. DeProteris, Abdul Kalayci (manager). Front row: M. Giarratana, L. Torcaso, V. Kalayci, A. Portelli, T. Stojavoski, R. Uzelac, P. Rocca.



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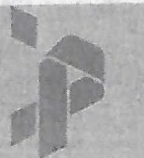
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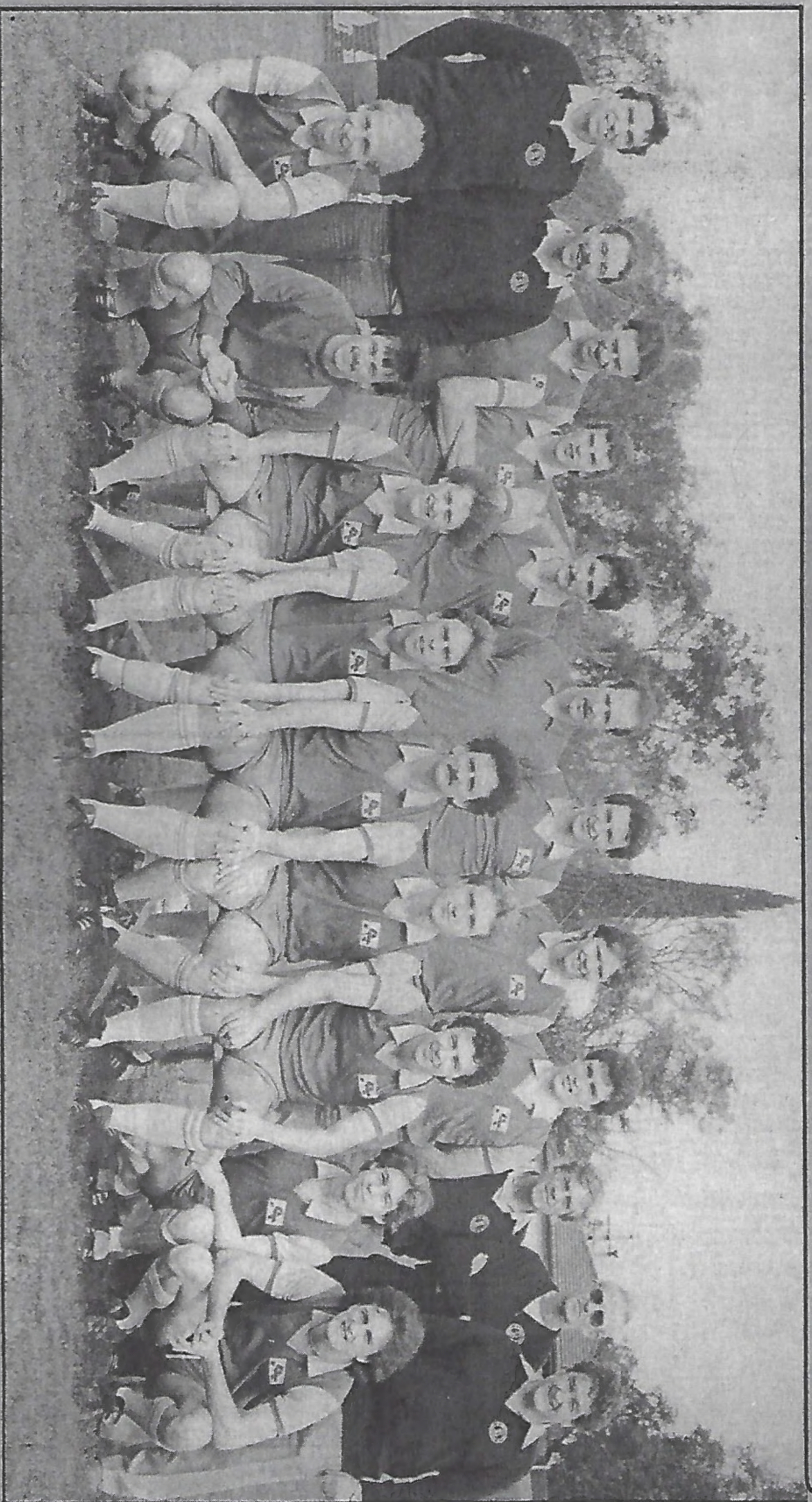
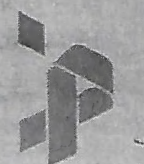
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Front row: David Rodde (junior), Eric Lebert (N.Z. International, coach), Raymond Gurney (Ringwood City '83), Tommy Fitzpatrick (Kilburn, Scotland), Duncan Smith (Croydon, captain), Nigel Murray (Neerobark '81), Dave Dixon (Ringwood City '82), Greg House (Croydon '80), Andy Crompton (junior).

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WHAT A PRESENT FOR SCHIAVELLO!

JUVENTUS 3 (Zinni 67th, Swinscoe 71st, Lloyd 77th) **CROATIA 2** (Parton 31st, Cumming 60th), at Olympic Park No 2, Sunday.

JUVENTUS: Clayton 6; V. Bannan 7, Pat Bannan 8, Drinocky 7 (Lloyd 8th, 31st, 51st, 61st, 71st, 81st, 91st), Hird 6; Rogers 7, G. Bannan 7 (Swinscoe H.T., 7), Cullen 7, Ince 7, Lloyd 7, Zinni 7, French 7. **Coach:** John Margaris.

CROATIA: Blasby 7; Harnah 6, Adams 7, Parton 8, Curcio 6; Arto-lyvic 6 (Bilaver 81st), Fawknor 7, Blasby 7, Golevic 7, McCluskey 4, Cumming 8. **Coach:** John Gardiner.

On Sunday it was Tony Schiavello's birthday. What has that got to do with the game? Plenty, because Schiavello is not only Juventus vice-president, he is also the man who gave Kevin Lloyd a job after hearing that the player had been out of work for months.

On Friday, Tony prompted a little birthday present for himself by asking Kevin to help him in the game against Croatia. Kevin said: "I don't know if I'll play, but if I will, I'll re-

sured I will kill myself to give you this birthday present!" And Schiavello celebrated in great style, even though coach John Margaris had given Lloyd only 35 minutes, and two goals down, to organise the present for his generous boss.

And what a reversal he caused! Until then Croatia had almost complete charge of the game and Juventus was struggling in midfield and puffing at the rear where Tommy Cumming was leading in merry-go-round, well supported by Steve Golevic and the midfielders. It had not been a great game and an average Croatia, sorely missing Dave Broman and Ossi Latif, was going through the motions against a less-than-average Juventus.

Parton had opened the score in the 31st minute heading in from a corner kick. French had followed him into the box but was caught ball-watching. Juventus had lined up with four forwards and two recognised midfielders. Even though Rob Cullen and Fabio Ince were playing deep, it was obvious they were not the players to hold the mid-field and Ged Bannan and

Rogers were outnumbered in this department, giving the Juventus defence too much to cope with. After a mediocre first half Kevin Swinscoe took Ged Bannan's place, but it was Croatia to increase its pace and seriously threaten Clayton's goal a few times until Cumming made it 2-0 in the 60th minute.

With two goals up and only 30 minutes of play left, only a fool would have entertained any idea of Croatia losing the game. But Lloyd had taken the field a minute earlier and was slowly winning command of the midfield with gladiatorial determination.

The substitution had been a brilliant move by Margaris who had to strengthen the mid-field without weakening the attack and this he achieved by taking out Paul Drinocky and putting Rogers back to stopper. As a result Juventus became a world beater and blitzed the opposition scoring three goals in 10 unbelievable minutes.

Zinni in the 67th minute shot past Blasby in the 67th minute after Pat Bannan's shot from inside the box had been par-

ried by a defender. Kevin Swinscoe levelled the score in the 71st with a spectacular thunderbolt on the run from the right, just outside the penalty box, and a lion-hearted Lloyd sealed the game with a low drive that sneaked in between the post and Blasby's hand! And Juventus could have scored at least another two during the final half hour.

On this form Juventus should account for Green Gully as well this Sunday, to make the championship a three-horse race that could be decided on a goal difference photo-finish.

The huge crowd, estimated at 5,000, that watched the game proved the validity of these two clubs for places in the NSL.

Lloyd's short spell on the field was sufficient to gain him my vote for best player of the day. It had also been sufficient to gain Juventus the most unbelievable win in years and to salvage a chance at the championship for the Brunswick black and whites. BY the way, happy belated birthday Tony Schiavello!

— ROCKY DI ZIO

AAJAX V. JUVENTUS

Green Gully Ajax would like nothing better than to enter the 1984 NSL with three successive State League championships to its name and if it can beat fellow title contender Juventus at Green Gully Reserve on Sunday, there will be no stopping the green and white army.

Until Juve's stunning comeback against Croatia last weekend, I honestly didn't think that the Italian giant was a real chance for the league title. We've all watched Juve pace it out at the top with Ajax and Croatia this season but somehow I always felt that just Ajax and Croatia would fight out the championship battle.

That's no denigration of the quality of the Juventus players or coach John Margaris. Just an admission of error on my part.

I was privileged to witness last week's amazing Juve success. I've never seen a contest turn around so convincingly and so suddenly. It was engrossing. When Croatia were 2-0 up it was cantering. Suddenly goals from Andrew Zinni and a staggering Kevin Swinscoe drive changed the face of the match. The incredible happened a few minutes later. Juve players were giving the ball away all over the park. Suddenly Juve was tearing the Croatia defence to shreds.

Calling all past stars

Mario Busidoni, one of Juventus' most illustrious past stars, and Ernesto Angerani, one of the club's leading officials during its golden years, have decided to organise a big get-together of all "old boys" from all Victorian clubs.

There will be a big social night (can you imagine all the reminiscing?) in the near future and then a tournament among "old boys" teams could be organised on a regular basis.

All interested former players and officials should contact Angerani on 347 5405 (ev) or Busidoni on 531 3030 (evening).

That's why Ajax is well advised not to take Margaris' men lightly on Sunday.

I'm very uncomfortable previewing this clash. I honestly don't want to predict the outcome, even though such predictions are part of this once-a-week ritual. But I think that convention just this once. No prediction, just an invitation — to anyone who wants to be entertained. Sunday's game will be a cracker.

Margaritis will be forced to change his defensive set-up with the automatic suspension of sweeper Pat Bannan, who received a third caution against Croatia. Bill Rogers was a hit last weekend when he went back to stopper but Bannan's loss may force the cagey Margaris to use Rogers as sweeper with Paul Drinocky playing stopper. Kevin Swinscoe is another possibility as sweeper.

Polonia meets Crocydon at Raleigh Reserve on Sunday. At stake is fourth spot and entry into the State League Cup. A draw would suit Crocydon, a win would be a bonus. I'm tipping a draw. Danny McCluskey's heading ability will be key to Polonia's prospects. The former Hellas, Albion, Frankston City and Makedonia defender faces a daunting task against Gus Macleod and Joe Sweeney.

Northcote tackles Box Hill at John Cain Reserve on Sunday and believe you me, Box Hill coach Bill Murray will have his lads revved up for the one. When Northcote defeated the Hillmen at Wembley Park earlier in the season its coach, Tony Vrzina, said that he saw a blackboard in the Box Hill dressing room before the match with details of Murray's tactical plans.

Vrzina said that he used this knowledge to guide his team to an impressive victory. That ranked Murray.

"If Tony Vrzina really thinks that he will, I'll let

him know the system we'll be using and our starting line-up well before Sunday's game. I'm only too ready to oblige," said Murray.

Sunshine-George Cross will lose all hope of making the top four if it does down to Croatia at Chapelin Reserve on Sunday, and as far as I'm concerned the combine can kiss its chances goodbye. Croatia has too much to play for. A win is a must with Ajax and Juventus tussling on the same day. Croatia strikers Dave Broman and Ossi Latif missed last weekend's match through injury but both may be available for this clash.

Doveton should defeat Fawknor at Waratah Reserve on Sunday. The Doves are playing better than at any other stage of this season. They'll be a bit too tough for Fawknor.

South Melbourne Hellas gets its last chance to really open

up the relegation battle on Saturday when it confronts Albion Rovers at Middle Park, 3pm.

SUNDAY
Wilhelmina V MORWELL at Jubilee Park, 3pm.
Ajax V Juventus at Green Gully Reserve, 3pm.
CROATIA V Sunshine-George Cross at Olympic Park, 3pm.
Polonia V Crocydon (draw) at Raleigh Reserve, 3pm.
DOVETON V Fawknor at Waratah Reserve, 3pm.
Northcote V Box Hill (draw) at John Cain Reserve, 3pm.

State League Cup needs revamping!

The Juventus win over Croatia and the possibility of the black and whites accounting for Green Gully this Sunday, will make the 1983 State League championship a real cliff-hanger.

Regardless of future results and the final outcome, there is no doubt that these three top contenders have given their supporters plenty to get excited about and should provide an appetising "second helping" at the end-of-the-season State League Cup competition.

up the relegation battle on Saturday when it confronts Albion Rovers at Middle Park, 3pm. I think Hellas can win, draw level on points with Albion, and throw a scare into the Wilhelmina camp which faces a mighty hurdle at Jubilee Park the following day when it hosts Morwell Falcons. Here are this weekend's matches with likely winners in capitals:

SATURDAY
S.M.HELLAS V Albion Rovers at Middle Park, 3pm.
SUNDAY
Wilhelmina V MORWELL at Jubilee Park, 3pm.
Ajax V Juventus at Green Gully Reserve, 3pm.
CROATIA V Sunshine-George Cross at Olympic Park, 3pm.
Polonia V Crocydon (draw) at Raleigh Reserve, 3pm.
DOVETON V Fawknor at Waratah Reserve, 3pm.
Northcote V Box Hill (draw) at John Cain Reserve, 3pm.

It is to be hoped that the VSF will see fit to organise this competition to the best advantage instead of hurriedly sweeping it out of the way like it did last year when the semi-finals were played on the Wednesday after the last championship round and the final the following Sunday, practically before supporters even realised the games were on!

— ROCKY DI ZIO

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FAWKNER 2 (Cozzella 9th, B. Sabidussi 66th) **SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1** (Bekiaris penalty 16th) at Smith Reserve, Sunday.

FAWKNER: Terzini 7 — Glancini 7, Kondorakis 7, Fattore 7, Popovic 6 — Palinkas 6 (J. Saninpoli H.T. 6), B. Sabidussi 7, Aranzola 7, Petricelli 8 — Tuffield 9, Cozzella 9. **Coach:** Cedo Cirkovic.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Turudic 4 — Aranzola 6 (Kazdas 71st), Vardazis 7, Kallifatis 7, Postecoglou 7 — Abram 7, Kanakoulis 9, Kalamonika 6 (Cumming 71st) — Bekiaris 7, Kakantona 6, Buljevic 7. **Coach:** Jim Armstrong.

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AAJAX.....	15	4	1	49	9	34
CROATIA.....	15	2	3	54	11	32
JUVENTUS.....	14	4	2	40	14	32
CROYDON.....	9	5	6	36	26	23
Polonia.....	9	5	6	30	25	23
Box Hill.....	9	3	8	30	30	21
Fawknor.....	8	4	8	30	33	20
Northcote.....	9	2	9	29	36	20
S. Geo. Cross.....	8	3	9	34	31	19
Morwell F.....	8	2	10	25	37	18
Doveton.....	6	3	11	25	36	15
Wilhelmina.....	4	1	15	19	51	9
Albion R.....	2	4	14	10	37	8
Hellas.....	1	4	15	20	55	6

BOGGI BEATS NSL DRUM

MORWELL FALCONS 0 GREEN GULLY AJAX 3 (Paul Lewis 47th, 77th, Smallman 83rd) at North Crinigan Reserve, Saturday.

MORWELL FALCONS: Prezioso 8 — Irvine 7 — Bingham 8, Darby 6, Higham 6, Train 7 — Leckey 6. **Green Gully:** 51st, 61st, 71st, 81st, 91st, 101st, 111st, 121st, 131st, 141st, 151st, 161st, 171st, 181st, 191st, 201st, 211st, 221st, 231st, 241st, 251st, 261st, 271st, 281st, 291st, 301st, 311st, 321st, 331st, 341st, 351st, 361st, 371st, 381st, 391st, 401st, 411st, 421st, 431st, 441st, 451st, 461st, 471st, 481st, 491st, 501st, 511st, 521st, 531st, 541st, 551st, 561st, 571st, 581st, 591st, 601st, 611st, 621st, 631st, 641st, 651st, 661st, 671st, 681st, 691st, 701st, 711st, 721st, 731st, 741st, 751st, 761st, 771st, 781st, 791st, 801st, 811st, 821st, 831st, 841st, 851st, 861st, 871st, 881st, 891st, 901st, 911st, 921st, 931st, 941st, 951st, 961st, 971st, 981st, 991st, 1001st, 1011st, 1021st, 1031st, 1041st, 1051st, 1061st, 1071st, 1081st, 1091st, 1101st, 1111st, 1121st, 1131st, 1141st, 1151st, 1161st, 1171st, 1181st, 1191st, 1201st, 1211st, 1221st, 1231st, 1241st, 1251st, 1261st, 1271st, 1281st, 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The Mossblown Marvel grabs a point

CROYDON 1 (P. Loughane 44th) DOVETON 1 (Webster 70th) at Croydon Park, Sunday.

CROYDON: Kastner 7 — Rainey 7, Marley 7, Dobson 8, Brown 7, Wade 7, Rooney 7, Irvine 7 — P. Loughane 7, Sweeney 6, Macleod 6 (Nolan 84th). Coach: Ted Dillworth.

DOVETON: Keogh 8 — Watson 7, Corka 7, Gashby 6, Macleod 7 — Buchanan 6, Thurlow 6, Dowle 6, M. Lennon 6 — Sturtin 6, Webster 7. Coach: Hammy McMeachen.

Hammy McMeachen says that the reason his

little striker Stan Webster is so good at wriggling out of tight situations is that Webster's home town of Mossblown in Scotland is so small that there's not much room to move.

"The Mossblown Marvel" gave the Doves a point against Croydon on Sunday after a poor Mark Brown throw-in allowed the green and whites to win possession. Graham "Winkler" Watson played the ball in to Stan Webster who back-headed Webster turned

Ian Dobson and struck a low shot into the far corner from an acute angle.

Nevertheless, Croydon stopper Dobson was the man of the match. He's good in the air and a ferocious tackler, qualities which have earned him the stopper's role at the expense of long serving Steve McCombe who sat this one out on the bench.

Croydon created the better chances here and should have won. Big Gus Macleod missed two sitters in the air within a seven minute period early in

the second half. On both occasions it was Paul Wade who provided the crosses but Dove-ton's best, goalkeeper Sean Keogh, was equal to the task.

Headers from Joe Sweeney and Wade in the first half hit the bar but late in this half Keogh knocked a long high ball to the back post, Macleod headed down, and Peter Loughane shot home from dead in front.

After Macleod's misses in the second half the Doves became far more adventurous and were rewarded with Webster's 70th minute equaliser.

Sweeney could have grabbed points for Croydon in the dying minutes but shot wide after Keogh had done well to parry a Wade drive.

SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS 1 (Bain 12th) POLONIA 1 (Marshall penalty 25th) at Chaplin Reserve, Sunday.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE CROSS: Contini 6 — Richardson 8, O'Reilly 6, Scott 6, Taylor 7 — Stevenson 7, G. Bennett 7, Pate 6 — McGinnis 6 (in). McCann 35th, G. Gilder 7, Bain 7. Coach: Tommy Traynor.

POLONIA: Dziulakowski 6 — Ujarski 7, McCluskey 8, Mita 7, Smolarek 6 — G. Czapnik 6 (Kryzanski 75th), A. Czapnik 7, P. Czapnik 6, Petrov 6 — Marshall 25th. Coach: Leszek Dziulakowski.



Juventus fans are the most colorful in State League. Here captain Pat Bannon is about to burst through a giant banner specially prepared for one of Juve's recent games.

Good crowd, poor spectacle

What a pity that such a good crowd — just over 1200 — weren't treated to a far better spectacle.

Sunshine-George Cross came at Polonia from the start, forcing four corners in as many minutes and getting the early breakthrough that wanted when Roger Bain netted in the 12th minute after running onto a Carl Gilder header which caught Polonia square at the back.

The Polish-sponsored club struck back in the 35th minute when Steve Richardson fouled Brendan Lalic inside the area

and a penalty was awarded, duly converted by big Alex Marshall.

The combine had two chances to increase its score in the first half but Polonia player-coach, goalkeeper Leszek Dziulakowski, saved headers from Gilder and Norrie Pate.

Combine winger Mick McGorran continued his bad injury run this season when he was forced out of the action in the 35th minute and replaced by Hugh McCann.

Polonia had kicked-off without injured leader scorer Janusz Przybyla. Midfielder

Joe Tront was injured at training on the Thursday before the game and started off on the bench, as did Tadek Kryzanski.

The second half was poor to watch. Polonia had far more of the ball in this stanza but kept breaking down up front.

McCann could have stolen a win for the combine in the last five minutes but volleyed over, however a draw was a fair result. Both camps, especially Polonia, still entertain top four hopes but on this display the presence of either outfit in the State League Cup probably would be shortlived.



Northcote winger Branko Culina (left) grimaces as Albion captain Gerry Reilly takes forciously. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

The magic of Moore

ALBION ROVERS 0 NORTHCOOTE CITY 4 (Moore 25th, 57th, Bozakis 4th, Quigley 11th) at Selwyn Park, Saturday.

ALBION ROVERS: Costello 6, Coyle 6, Douglas 5 (Galea 11, 51, McLeane 5, Hennessey 5, Gray 4, Smart 7, Bennett 5, D'Sylva 6, McIntyre 5, Reilly 7. Coach: Hugh Murray.

NORTHCOOTE CITY: Giannoulas 6, Wilson 6, Mihos 6, Bozakis 7, Katsikidis 5, Wright 6, Patsiolas 6, Moore 9, Constantinou 7, (Tzetzos 78th), Culina 9, Quigley 8. Coach: Tony Vrizina.

The only redeeming feature of this lacklustre, eminently forgettable affair, as far as any non-partisan observer was concerned, was the display of Steve Moore.

Playing in a libero role, he towered Beckenbauer-like over a pathetic Albion attack and midfield, and emphasised his superiority by scoring two goals as well as being the prompter of Northcote's other two.

Albion's woes started early Northcote began with a flurry and it was obvious that his nippy forwards were going to be a handful for the slow-turning Albion defenders.

In only four minutes the home side was one down. Moore sent Peter Constantinou down the left, and when his cross came over the elegant Greg Bozakis was there to nod it past Tommy Costello.

Seven minutes later, when Quigley walked through a gaping Albion rearguard, skipped around Costello's despairing dive and popped in number two

Albion hopes flickered into life momentarily when Ken Smart managed to wriggle clear of the Northcote defenders, but his fierce shot smacked against the woodwork, and it was obviously not going to be Albion's day.

Moore made that clear when he pounced on a partial clearance a long way outside the Albion box and hammered a great volley past Costello.

Albion, awarded a penalty in the second half, had a chance to slow its way back into the match, but goalkeeper John Giannopoulos guessed correctly and easily smothered Alan Bennett's gentle attempt.

Albion changed its offside tactics, having proved unavailing against Northcote's nippy forwards, and decided to emulate Olivia Newton-John and get physical, but despite the fact that Northcote players were going down like nine-pins all over the field, even that tactic rebounded.

One tackle just outside the penalty area resulted in a free kick that Steve Moore nonchalantly banged past the wall and Costello for goal number four.

The problem with the offside trap is that it needs the co-operation of the officials, and Albion's big mistake was that it persisted in the tactics even when it was apparent that the linesman had left his spurs at home.

But the last word on the game belongs (as usual) to Joe Docherty. Asked whether he thought Steve Moore deserved three points in our Amateur award he said: "Three points? He should get thirty-three!"

— LES SHORROCK

Thumbs up for Lesbirell, Owen

Knox City last week took the unusual step or re-appointing coach Eric Lesbirell and assistant Trevor Owen for the 1984 season, even though there still are five league games left this year.

The Knox committee move is a vote of support for the way Lesbirell has nurtured the players at his disposal and helped the juniors, rather than trying to buy success. Presently, five first team players are junior products.

Knox life-member John Holford, is due to move to Brisbane shortly. His presence will be sorely missed. Holford is a former secretary, treasurer, team manager, player and junior coach at the club he has been with for 22 years. All Knox officials, players and supporters wish him well.

METROPOLITAN DIVISION ONE
KNOX CITY 1 (House 26th) KEW PARK CENTRE 0.

KNOX: McTurk 8, Dixon 7, Schroeder 7, S. Smith 7, Fitzpatrick 8, Wild 7, D. Smith 7, Blasinger 7, House 8, Lesbirell 7, Crompton 8.

KEW: Green 7, Houston 6, Train 6, Smale 6, Wilkinson 7, Parson 7, Pughivo 6, Droughe 6, Kraevan 6, Spencer 5 (McClone 77th), Campbell 7.

Knox at times played superb soccer and easily accounted for the opposition. The score line did little justice to Knox's superiority and a good chance to improve its good difference was squandered.

The only goal came when Lesbirell, showing Pine control, waltzed his way down the left and his pin-point cross was slotted home by House.

Parsons came close to equalizing just on half-time but McTurk did enough to make him miss. Wild had two good chances to increase the lead but put both wide.

DIVISION THREE
ELTHAM 1 (Lewis penalty 15th) YALLOURN 3 (Stansbury 9th, 80th, G. Hiriart 28th).

ELTHAM: Graham 7, Alderson 8, M. Cirka 4, Raynes 7, McIntosh 7, Cuddey 5 (Briggs 72nd), Lewis 7, Hird 4 (P. Cirka 58th), Norton 4, Garthwaite 5, Curcija 5.

YALLOURN: Dufas, Thompson, Wilson, Polo, Pavlovic, Hladanovic, A. Hiriart, G. Hiriart, Collings, Stansbury, Carolan.

Yallourn gave Eltham a lesson in soccer and in the taking of chances at North Eltham. Faster to the ball all day and stronger in the tackle, the visitors did not let the home side into the game at any stage.

The first goal came in the 9th minute when Stansbury netted at the third attempt despite some heroic efforts to stop the ball by Hugh Graham. Eltham came back into the game briefly when Mark Lewis scored from the penalty spot in the 15th minute.

Hiriart put Yallourn ahead again in the 28th minute and the scoring was completed by Stansbury in the 80th minute.

Both teams certainly realised the importance attached to this game from the very start. Pressure from Rosanna early in the game produced fine efforts to score, however, desperate defensive soccer kept Crozier, Vandupp and Brett for Gully denied the home side the early break.

Gully winger Gray was active early, scoring an opportunist goal from close range in the 19th minute. The second half saw Gully gradually wear down the home side, adding to the scoreline twice before the final whistle.

PROVISIONAL DIVISION ONE
BALLARAT 1 (Kennedy pen. 32nd) MONASH UNI. 1 (Van der Weisthuizen 56th).

BALLARAT: R. Romelin, D. Romelin, R. Haveronoff, I. Ives, G. Ryan, P. Smith, S. Byrne (sub. P. Kennedy 70th), K. Blackmore, J. Kennedy, G. Green, G. Horvatic (sub. W. McNaught 70th).

MONASH UNI: G. Timms, R. Hanson (sub. L. Yong 48th), A. Bay, P. Mills, T. Endersby, N. Sinclair, M. MacPherson, M. King.

SELECTIONS

METROPOLITAN DIVISION ONE
Saturday: Richmond v Ball Park, FRANK STON PINES v Western Suburbs, Doncaster Rovers v Melbourne United.

DIVISION TWO
Saturday: Norwood City v St Albans (draw), FOOTSCRAY v Werribee City, NTH DANDENONG v Thornbury, SPRINGVALE CITY v Heidelberg, UTE PRESTON v Ringwood, UTE KENDAL v Arden.

DIVISION THREE
Saturday: Yallourn v SUNBURY at Sunbury, Sandringham v Castalia City (draw), Port Melbourne v COBURG, MORRINGTON v St Albans, PHANRAN City v Brighton, HEIDELBERG BUNDOORA v Eltham.

DIVISION FOUR
Saturday: Mooroolbark v Reservoir, Hawthorn v ROSEBUD, Festival City v Geelong (draw), Moorabie City v NTH GEELONG, CORIO v Essendon City, HAMILTON RANGERS v Greenwagh, Kardinia v Kardinia.

DIVISION FIVE
Saturday: Laverton v KAVAYOUR, Clifton Hill v YARRVILLE, Shingora City v BALLARAT, Monash Uni v BULLSEN, EAST BRUNSWICK v Carlton, LAUR UTE v Chelsea, MELTON v Clayton.

DIVISION TWO
Saturday: Regent v STN DANDENONG, BORONIA v STN DANDENONG, BORONIA v St Albans.

DIVISION TWO
W. Cuzang, C. Mullert, S. Van der Weisthuizen, Coach: J. Rigaud.

Monash Uni and Ballarat remained level on points after sharing a goal apiece amid difficult conditions at Trekar Park. Neither side was able to play at its best, constantly frustrated by windy conditions and a very difficult pitch.

Ballarat outplayed the visitors in the first half, with Blackmore prompting attacks from midfield, and took control as John Kennedy capitalised from the penalty spot after half an hour.

Monash emerged from the half-time break with renewed determination, and after 11 minutes it had worked the equalizer. Guppy Young met a Quag cross at the far post and headed back to Seamus Van der Weisthuizen, who had time to control and score.

BULLEN-VENETO 2 (Corral 3rd, Salvatore 8th)

YARR MALVERN CITY v Central City, Moorabie, Clarendon v Holland Park (draw), West Brunswick v ANTONIO, Highton v KENDRICK CITY, CHANGING v Nanningville.

DIVISION THREE
Saturday: Winton v SPRINGVALE UTE, More Ute v HAMILTON VANGUARD, West Melbourne v WEST GEELONG, PASCOE VALE v Brunswick City, DALLAS CITY v Uni of Melbourne, ALTONA UTE v Hamlet, Cheltenham v Clarendon, K'Yong (draw).

DIVISION FOUR
Saturday: Port Ute v SEAFORD, Moorabie Ute v LYNDALDE UTE, PARONOME v Barmen, Nth Suburbs v Diamond Valley (draw), Moorabie Rangers v DINGLEY MOUNTBUX v East Carlton, Murrumbidgee v GEELONG UTE.

AMATEUR LEAGUE DIVISION ONE
Saturday: Ross Ute v VERNANT, MELBOURNE UNI v Westcliff, MACCAU v Nth Melbourne, Epping Thistle v BALACALVA, ENDEAVOUR HILLS v Auen Ute, POSTER INSTITUTE v Balmory City, CHADSTONE v Bardon.

DIVISION TWO
Saturday: St Barnards v Werribee Ute (draw), HNT v Auen Ute, MEADOW PARK v West Ute, Paine Ute v BAXTER, SOUTHERN CROSS v Coorndale, LATROBE UNI v K'Yong 5th, NULGRAVE v Stn Park.

DIVISION 'A'
Saturday: ESSENDON CITY v Heidelberg United.

DIVISION 'B'
Saturday: ALTONA CITY v FAWKNER, Werribee City v CROYDON CITY, Richmond v SUNSHINE GEORGE CROSS.

DIVISION 'C'
Saturday: BULLEN v Abbotshod.

EAST BRUNSWICK 1 (Mooney 81st).

BULLEN-VENETO: D. Porpat 8, E. Boln 7, M. Borin 8, P. Cassal 8, F. Barbiel 8, T. Cursi 8, D. Butcher 7 (W. Franz 8), M. Gansel 7, J. Michaloudakis 7, L. Boarotto 6 (sent off 15th), V. Salvatore 7.

With renewed fighting spirit Bullen-Veneto came out on top in the big local derby against East Brunswick.

Bullen-Veneto hit the lead after only three minutes when Cassal beautifully headed home a Boarotto corner.

Five minutes later Bullen-Veneto went 2-0 up through Salvatore, who from 25 metres delightfully chipped the ball over East Brunswick keeper Riccioletti.

In the second half East Brunswick threw everything at Bullen-Veneto but solid defensive play by Borin, Cassal, Barbiel and keeper Poropat kept them at bay. East Brunswick's consolation goal was

scored when Mooney slotted home a Hebble cross.

HAWKSBUURN 1 (Joe Szabo 59th) SHEPPARTON CITY 0.

HAWKSBUURN: S. Kazi, Sejmali, A. Biro, Szabo, A. Kazi, Derak, Milic, Kanton, Foral, Blaskany (Olsakovic 84th), Lallo (J. Szabo 78th).

DIVISION TWO SOUTH DANDENONG 1 (Saladrigas 8th) MALVERN CITY 2 (Kyriazopoulos 34th, Petropoulos 56th).

SOUTH DANDENONG: C. Bravo, F. Romero, P. Medina, F. Llanos, F. Imenez, O. Romero (K. De Klerk 45th), J. Presta, G. Wyszczanski, C. Ugarte, R. Contreras, M. Saladrigas (E. Alvarez 70th).

MALVERN CITY: P. McCann, L. Mendila, A. Papadopoulos, M. Wyszczanski, Petropoulos, G. Kiriakopoulos, A. Tsomos, N. Dalgianis, C. Lousidis (Bartopoulos 17th), T. Semonidis.

BEST PLAYERS: South Dandenong — G. Wyszczanski, J. Presta, J. Bravo, Malvern City — A. Petropoulos, N. Dalgianis, P. McCann.

With only five regular first team players in the line-up, South came remarkably close to causing an upset against joint leader Malvern City. From a Greg Wyszczanski corner, left winger Saladrigas headed the home side into the lead after eight minutes. Only minutes later Ugarte's firm header hit the cross-bar from a Presta right wing cross.

A much stronger Malvern City equalised after 34 minutes, the ball trickling through the legs of Bravo from Kyriazopoulos.

It looked a certain penalty for South when Wyszczanski was brought down but the unsighted referee waved play on. Eleven minutes into the second half the hard working Petropoulos scored from close-in from a right wing cross.

Although the young South players never gave up, Malvern took no chances after it gained the lead, content to play out the game with this narrow, but decisive win.

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the boss known to Aussies after his sending off for Irishman Gerry Armstrong of Watford who was voted Britain's top player in the World Cup in Spain last summer. Armstrong, who broke his leg in two places last season and was out of action for five months, is now fully fit again and now finds himself up for sale by Elton John's Watford.

MOTHERWELL: Jack Wallace, having lost his top player Brian McLair to Celtic, his assistant manager Frank Conner to Celtic and his Physio to Aberdeen, must also expect to lose more games than they will win.

ST JOHNSTONE: The Perth team up in top company after many years in the wilderness, will with their present playing staff, have to fight tooth and nail to retain their recently won status.

DUNDEE: For many decades the pride of the city but over the past few years have had to play second fiddle to United. They have improved and have a top ranking star in striker Ian Ferguson.

HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN: Outside of Celtic and Rangers probably the most famous side in Scottish soccer. But their League and Cup triumphs were many moons ago and the team which conquered all Australia on their tour of 1959 has sadly deteriorated. Financial problems have not helped their cause and the Premier League will add to their burdens.

Armstrong

Soccer's wheel of fortune has turned full circle for Irishman Gerry Armstrong of Watford who was voted Britain's top player in the World Cup in Spain last summer. Armstrong, who broke his leg in two places last season and was out of action for five months, is now fully fit again and now finds himself up for sale by Elton John's Watford.

German ills

All's not well in the West German Bundesliga, according to Hamburg boss Ernst Happel. Happel has hit out at the poor quality of the league which has become poorer due to the departure of several star names for other European clubs which has resulted in a drop in crowds.

Youth boss

Dave Burnside, 43, a former England under 23 international, has taken over from Watford's Graham Taylor as England youth manager.

\$24 million

Barcelona has had six managers in the past 12 years and during that time it has spent over \$24 million on players.

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BOTH AWARD WINNERS WILL FLY THAI INTERNATIONAL

Two bus-loads of handicapped children from the Yooralla Society were guests of South Melbourne Hellas at its game against APIA last Sunday. Some of them are pictured with the Hellas players before the game at Middle Park.

Azzurri falters, Croatia tops

With three rounds remaining, it seems likely that the SA Rothmans League will have a new champion.

Reigning champion Azzurri may have lost its bid by falling to lowly Elizabeth 1-0. Azzurri has lacked the consistency of last

At the bottom end, Port Adelaide seems assured of the wooden spoon but may not necessarily face relegation.

Rumors suggest there could be new faces at Adey Reserve next season.

Croatia has loomed as a definite contender for the title which at this late stage may now be fought out with second-placed Para Hills and third-placed Beograd.

Para, after drawing with West Adelaide 1-1 at the weekend, is only two points behind Croatia.



U.S. girls



**U.S. girls
on tour**



On tour
An American under-15 girls team will play the Victorian under-15's in a two match

under-13s in a two match series starting next Thursday, August 25, at Lyndale United's ground, Halton Road, North

The second match in the series will be held two days later, Saturday, August 27, at



Rowville United's ground, kick-off 2pm.

The Victorian squad is:
Anita Shanks, Jackie Davey.

The American girls under-15 team. Back row: Ted Cohen (coach), Dede Howrey, Julie Diebenow, Monica Cohen, Lisa Duval, Fran Krause (assistant coach). Middle

row: Tina Stirling, Heidi Krause, Dana de Avila, Inger Carlsson, Lara Gustavson, Kristin Stahr, Jodi Stuegemeyer. Front row: Kristin Lehman, Kim Milewski, Terri

Who needs preparation?

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NORTHERN STATE League 3 (Sawdon 7, McGrory 6) ers difficult to handle.

**15, Parke 47) Southern State League 3 (S. Kannagiesser 11, Parker 69, Forster (pen) 92).
Ref: J. Johnstone.**

NORTH: R. Smith - Rimmer, Monagle, Koch (K. Smith 46), P. Davidson - Frame, Parke, B. Davidson, Schiebl.

SOUTH: P. Kannegiesser — Max Di Martino, Huinlant

prepared is an understatement. The squad had not had a single training session; at least five certainties were

North Tasmania had more cause for complaint at the result than the ill-prepared

Southerners, Northern coach Otto Klaus and his players complained bitterly at the free kick given by referee Jack

Johnstone, in the second minute of injury time at the end of the match, for time-wasting by deliberately fouling standards.

The Southerners found the strong wind, the soft pitch, and the robust play of the North-

Ever-present Young

SIR — With reference to your article on Page 4 of Soccer Action (27th July edition), I would like to correct you on your facts regarding Canberra Arrows.

(excluding Cup matches): S. Hoszowski, T. Byrne, S. Bryant, A. Young.

As you may have gathered, the name omitted from your article, Andrew Young, is my son. We are very proud of the fact that Andrew, a teenager, in his first NSL season, has not so far missed

— M. M. YOUNG, HOLDER, ACT

New Zealanders visit

Watch out for the Wanganui schoolboys! They'll jet into Melbourne

from New Zealand this Friday morning to start a two week Victorian tour.

The 26-strong touring party will be broken into two, a red and blue team, which will play

The Doc's a

Golden Oldie

Sydney Olympic coach Tommy Docherty will be guest of honor at the International Golden Oldies Festival, to be held in Auckland from September 28 to October 2.

Sunday, August 21: Blue squad v Sunshine Heights 1 pm; Red squad v Altona City

Tuesday, August 23: Blue squad v Sunbury 6.30 pm; Red squad v Northcote 7.45 pm.

Squad 4 Northwest 7:45 pm. — PAGE MOON

Soccer around the world

Man. Utd., Aberdeen for the titles

From JIM COOK
our European
correspondent

1. Manchester United, 2. Liverpool, 3. Tottenham Hotspur.
That's my verdict on top honors in the English First Division which kicks off on August 27. And here is a brief run-down on the 22 teams:

MANCHESTER UNITED: F.A. Cup final win and placing last season were indications of things to come. Well balanced in defence with Bailey, Albiston and McQueen the big shots, United has both class and strength in the mid-field with Robson and Moses. And for striking power who better than Coppell, Stapleton and 18-year-old Northern Ireland star Norman Whiteside.

LIVERPOOL: Almost held a mortgage on the title over the past seven years and only a fool would write them off again. But the fact they didn't win a game in their last seven outings last season suggests the strain of continued success is beginning to tell. Some problems in their back four which will be bolstered by the \$400,000 signing of Coventry City's under-21 Scotland defender Gary Gillespie. But if the Dalglish/Rush partnership continues to click, look out everybody!

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR: Probably the most ambitious of all and not without real hope or talent. The mention of players like England star Glen Hoddle, Argentinian ace Osvaldo Ardiles and Scotland striker Alan Brazil plus one of the best net-minders in the business in Ray Clemence is enough to rate them highly.

ARSENAL: Even with \$1.2 million former Celtic star Charlie Nicholas, I don't think that Terry Neill's Gunners will make the top three placings. Former F.C. Cologne star Tony Woodcock has not justified his rating since his return to England and Arsenal's boring brand of soccer last season hardly augurs well for them.

ASTON VILLA: The glory season of 1981/82 now behind them, with their present line-up they fall a bit short of champions material. Outstanding young striker in Gary Shaw.

BIRMINGHAM: Almost took a nose-dive into the Second Division last season and there's nothing to suggest they won't be battling in the same division again.

COVENTRY CITY: Selling six of their top players for around \$2 million and buying six mainly from lower divisions for less than a million may be good for the balance sheet but one cannot regard them as anything but battlers.

EVERTON: Howard Kendall's mixture of youth and experience did well last season but only in fits and starts. If they can show some consistency they may surprise.

SUNDERLAND: Struggling last season, the same fate awaits them in the new season especially after selling 20-year-old striker Ally McCoist to Rangers for \$400,000 and unloading veteran goalscorer Frank Worthington to Southampton for peanuts.

SOUTHAMPTON: Lawrie McMenemy's warriors don't have many acres in the side but they are definitely first-class.

LEICESTER CITY: Back in the First Division they will find before the season is half-way through they will have to buy a few quality players to retain their status.

LUTON TOWN: Back in the First Division last season they just held on by the skin of their teeth with a win in their final match which sent Manchester City down. Could be struggling again with their meagre support and even with star Paul Walsh.

NORWICH CITY: After almost being written off last Christmas they made an amazing comeback and finished in a respectable position. But if they don't satisfy Northern Ireland skipper Martin O'Neill's new contract demands the Canaries will feel the loss.

NOTTINGHAM FOREST: Despite the loss of players of the calibre of John McGovern, Peter Shilton, Kenny Burns last year, and now the departure of John Robertson to Derby, Brian Clough has fashioned a better than average side out of some little-known players and they can give a good account of themselves.

NOTTS COUNTY: The bravest battlers in the First Division with the poorest support living in the shadow of Brian Clough's Nottingham Forest. New team manager Howard Wilkinson will no doubt dress up the skills of the side including Justin Fashanu but the pressure will be on County right up to next May.

WATFORD: Elton John's side made a terrific impression last season when upstairs for the first time. They are a solid, well-balanced side and should go well despite the loss of Luther Blissett to AC Milan.

WEST BROMWICH ALBION: Hard to beat at home and that counts a lot. Still have ace striker Cyrille Regis and that too guarantees an ample supply of goals. Maybe top six side.

WEST HAM UNITED: Lost Belgium in the national star Francois van der Elst to F.C. Lokoren but have loads of talented players to get them well up the league ladder.

1. Aberdeen, 2. Dundee United, 3. Celtic.

It seems unbelievable that anyone should rank the famous Glasgow Celtic as third choice for the leading spot in Scottish League soccer but that's how I see things as the new season looms. My rundown on the teams:

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champions, they have one of the most astute managers in Jim McLean who has groomed the vast majority of his players from schoolboys to maturity. An excellent record in European soccer over the past few seasons suggest how highly they are rated home and abroad.

CELTIC: Losing Charlie Nicholas to Arsenal and also their other top striker George McCluskey to Leeds United through their admirable policy of setting a fair ceiling on playing terms, as well as seeing former star player and manager Billy McNeill join Manchester City for the same reasons is enough to drop them out of the top reckoning even with the signing of Motherwell's star 19-year-old striker Brian McClair.

the cold for the past couple of years after the great success of Jock Wallace. Bought Scotland's 1981 Player of the Year, striker Sandy Clark (ex-Airdrie) from West Ham late last season and recently paid \$400,000 for 20-year-old goalscorer Ally McCoist who cost Sunderland \$700,000 two years ago. Should improve their goal tally and may surprise.

ST MIRREN: The Paisley team in Europe this season are the only real threat to Aberdeen, Dundee United, Celtic and Rangers. Have some promising youngsters with a few oldies.

HIBERNIAN: Ambitious but seem to be spending much more cash on ground improvements than on strengthening their wobbly side. Pat Stanton.

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Aris — Greek giant banned by ASF

Although Panathinaikos, Olympiakos and AEK Athens have dominated the Greek League in recent years, Aris Salonika holds a special place in Hellenic soccer history for it won the very first championship back in 1928.

Aris would have played in Australia this month, had it not been for the Australian Federation banning the visit.

Aris claimed the 1931-32 and 1945-46 titles, but has found a fourth season elusive.

It could hardly have come closer in 1980, being thwarted by Olympiakos, which won a play-off 2-0 after the two clubs finished level on points at the head of the ladder.

The Greek Cup provided Aris with its one honor in almost four decades. This came in 1970.

Consistently in the top three of its domestic league, however Aris is an experienced European campaigner, having appeared four times in both the old Fairs Cup and its successor the UEFA Cup, as well as a Cup Winners' Cup campaign.

It was the 1979 — 80 UEFA Cup which gave Aris supporters particularly happy memories, as Benfica and Paolo Rossi's Perugia were eliminated.

Many distinguished players have represented the Salonika club over the years and today's squad includes three players whose fame extends well beyond Macedonia.

Goalscoring midfielder Kostas Koussis has been

among Greece's most consistent performers in recent seasons. The 27-year-old can now boast over 30 international caps and was one of the heroes of his country's run through to the last eight of the 1980 European Championship.

He was the Greek League's leading scorer in 1980-81, with 21.

Georgios Semertzidis, 25, also nets regularly. Last December, he celebrated his return to international duty after a long absence with the winner against Cyprus.

At 31 years of age the 25 times a Hungarian international, goalkeeper Sandor Gujdar has a wealth of experience behind him.

— PAUL MOON

Gremio — South American champion

Gremio of Porto Alegre became the fourth Brazilian team to capture the Copa Libertadores symbol of supremacy in South American club soccer, when defeating cup holder Penarol of Uruguay.

A goal by Cesar, 13 minutes from the end of the second leg, proved decisive, after the opening encounter had been drawn 1-1 in Montevideo.

It was a remarkable success for Gremio, which is not among the glamor sides of Brazil, and was the underdog throughout the campaign.

Compatriot club Flamengo was favored to eliminate Gremio in the first round, Argentine champion Estudiantes de la Plata appeared, on paper, to be far stronger before the semi-final

series commenced and Penarol, which had lifted the trophy on four previous occasions, was an overwhelming pre-final favorite.

In contrast, Gremio had few stars. Earlier in the year, it had transferred Paolo Isidoro and Joao Batista, both members of Brazil's 1982 World Cup squad, to Santos and Palmeiras respectively, while Leao, who is currently the Brazilian national team goalkeeper, joined Corinthians.

Gremio's top players are: Uruguayan Hugo De Leon, came to the fore with Nacional's Copa Libertadores winning team of 1980. Among the best stoppers in South America, he cost Gremio \$600,000.

Right back Paulo Roberto is the youngest member of Brazil's present national squad, which also contains Tita — a lively right winger.

After spending eight years in Leao's shadow, Remi has established himself as a dependable goalkeeper. Equally reliable, schemer Oswaldo was an inexpensive purchase from Ponte Preta.

Cesar has been finding the net frequently since his transfer from Benfica of Portugal earlier in the year.

It is however as a unit, with all players willing to work hard for each other, that the Gremio of 1983 will be best remembered.

Brazilian champions in 1981 and South America's best in 1983, Gremio will have the opportunity to add the world title when it meets European Cup winner SV Hamburg.

— PAUL MOON

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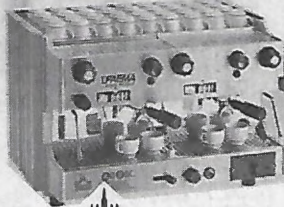
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VA ITALIA! with ROCKY DI ZIO



Juventus. Percio' e' purtroppo il caso di aspettare e sperare senza poter far niente, oltre naturalmente a vincere tutte le partite rimaste.

Domenica scorsa la Juventus ha rischiato di farsi seppellire dal Croatia scendendo in campo con una formazione che non aveva possibilita' alcuna di successo, sempre per il famoso compromesso di Cullen. Margaris schiera infatti ben quattro attaccanti (Zini, French, Incantalupo e Cullen) e solo due centrocampisti (Ged Bannan e Rogers). Considerando che Rogers non gioca da centrocampista ortodosso ma piu' di secondo libero di fronte al centrocampiano, era ovvio che il solo Ged Bannan non poteva reggere il confronto a centrocampo. Degli attaccanti Incantalupo e Cullen dovevano giocare arretrati, ma la posizione nello scacchiere conta poco contro lo stile del giocatore. Il centrocampo infatti non e' solo il reparto che pompa palle in avanti (e Cullen e Cullen possono far questo), ma anche la difesa avanzata dove si cerca di stroncare le offensive avversarie sul nascere (e nessuno dei due e' molto tagliato per questo compito). E' successo cosi' che un Croatia non in grande vena (mancavano Brogan e Latif e il sostituto McCluney e' stato completamente inutile) e' riuscito a prendere il sopravvento in una partita molto mediocre.

Ma il dono di Margaris e che, pur facendo sbagli come tutti i mortali, ha l'occhio buono durante la partita e riesce a effettuare cambiamenti di schema e di uomini che salvano la situazione.

Gia' a meta' tempo aveva sostituito Ged Bannan con Swinscoe, senza peraltro guadagnare molto nel cambio perche' quest'ultimo era ovviamente a corto di forma dopo l'operazione e la convalescenza. Poiche' Swinscoe non e' bastato, Margaris si trovava nel dilemma di dover rinforzare il centrocampo senza indebolire l'attacco perche' ormai la squadra era in svantaggio e subiva l'iniziativa avversaria. Ecco quindi il tecnico bianconero venirci con la trovata geniale di tirar fuori il pur bravo Drinocky, indietreggiare Rogers a centrocampiano e mandare in campo Lloyd a dar manforte al centrocampo. Con poco piu' di mezz'ora e con due reti di passivo, poiche' il Croatia aveva raddoppiato subito dopo l'ingresso in campo di Lloyd, questo gladiatore del pallone e' riuscito a distruggere il centrocampo avversario con una prova alla disperata e cambiare completamente il volto della partita. La Juventus, che fino ad allora non aveva creato alcuna azione da rete, e' salita in cattedra ed ha cominciato a bombardare la portavversaria da tutte le posizioni. La prima marcatura portava la firma di Zini che riusciva ad agganciare un corto rimbalzo in area e sbatterlo in rete; seguiva Swinscoe che batteva imparabilmente Blasby con un gran tiro teso in corsa dal limite dell'area e concludeva lo stesso Lloyd con un rasoterra a fil di palo. In tutto dieci minuti di gioco ubriacante che avrebbe potuto riutilizzare in un'altra marcatura se French e Cullen, soli in area, non so fossero impappinati come principianti su un passaggio di Incantalupo.

Incredibile rimonta quindi e vittoria entusiasmante che ha fatto sventolare pazzamente le bandiere bianconere al ritmo di Juve-Juve-Juve, mentre i tifosi croati, increduli e avviliti hanno lasciato il campo con la faccia stravolta di chi si stava recando a buttarsi nel vicino Yarra. Nel bar, dopo la partita, le scene di gioia erano indescrivibili, ma sicuramente il piu' felice di tutti deve essere stato il presidente del Green Gully, Guy Spiteri, che ha pagato da bere a tanti con un sorriso come l'ingresso del Luna Park. C'e' da augurarsi che la settimana prossima non sorrida tanto dopo la conclusione di Green Gully-Juventus.

E cosi' speriamo che Margaris abbia finalmente capito che la Juventus senza Lloyd e Swinscoe a centrocampo diventa una formazione molto mediocre e che non sacrifichi piu' uno di questi due giocatori nemmeno per far posto a Paolo Rossi edizione mondiale.

Una nota particolare per il pubblico che ha assistito alla partita: circa 5.000 spettatori hanno gremito ogni ordine di posti in tribuna, hanno addirittura riempito la tribuna chiusa al pubblico sopra gli spogliatoi, hanno affollato il piazzale sotto le due tribune e si sono riversati anche dalla parte del fiume. Osservatori della Lega Nazionale non possono aver quindi alcun dubbio sul fatto che queste siano le due squadre da ammettere ad ogni costo nella nuova competizione nazionale regionalizzata. E, tanto per accontentare Joe Caruso, e' il caso di dire che la Juventus e' riuscita a prendere il treno... ma solo rincorrendolo dopo che era gia' partito!

In campo amministrativo, possiamo anticipare che la Juventus ha concluso in modo molto favorevole le trattative per il contratto d'affitto (e il possibile parziale acquisto) del terreno di Brunswick e che tutti i particolari di questa attesissima sistemazione saranno dati al comitato in occasione della riunione pubblica indetta per martedi' 30 agosto, alle 7.30 pm, nella Crystal T di Sydney Road, Brunswick. Durante la serata probabilmente verranno dati i ragguagli anche sulla partecipazione alla lega nazionale il prossimo anno. Intanto su "Il Goo" di lunedi' prossimo verra' pubblicato un ampio supplemento sulla Juventus e naturalmente i tifosi e simpatizzanti del club faranno ben a leggerlo per rendersi conto di quello che sta bollendo nella pentola bianconera.

IL FAWKNER PUO' ANCORA SPERARE

Il Fawkner continua a fare esperimenti in vista del prossimo campionato e domenica scorsa ha schierato anche il terzino Popovic che cost' faceva il suo esordio stagionale. Senza strafare gli azzurri hanno battuto il fanalino di cosa del S.M. Hellas ed hanno migliorato la loro posizione in classifica approfittando delle battute d'arresto di Croynod, Morwell, Sunshine e Polonia. Il quarto posto si trova ora a tre punti di distanza ed e' quindi tecnicamente ancora raggiungibile poiche' nessuna delle squadre che se lo contendono davanti al Fawkner

puo' essere considerata irresistibile. Per far cio' il Fawkner per' dovrebbe superare se stesso, e fare un grande favore alla Juventus, contro Green Gully e Croatia. Un Quarto posto per gli azzurri del presidente Schipano non solo rappresenterebbe un piazzamento di grande prestigio che potrebbe influenzare favorevolmente la candidatura del club per la Lega Nazionale, ma sarebbe anche una pioggia di dollari poiche' il torneo a quattro di fine stagione con Croatia, Juventus, Green Gully e Fawkner diventerebbe sicuramente un cartellone di grande cassetta.

IL MORWELL IN LIMBO

Nessuna speranza rimane invece per il Morwell che, sconfitto in casa dal Green Gully per 0-3, si trova due punti dietro al Fawkner. Nessuno si aspettava molto dagli azzurri di Boggi contro un avversario di tal calibro ed e' stata percio' una parziale sorpresa vedere le due squadre andare al riposo in parita'. In quanto alla possibilita' che il Morwell venga ammesso alla lega nazionale il prossimo anno (e cio' escluderebbe si-

curamente il Fawkner) bisogna vedere se il criterio di giudizio della Lega sia cambiato rispetto a quello di anni recenti quando la decentrazione del calcio (vedi Newcastle e piu' recentemente Wollongong), la solidita' finanziaria, la buona amministrazione e la qualita' degli impianti erano i criteri principali. Su tutti questi punti il Morwell sarebbe il primo club ad essere ammesso, poiche' ha tutti questi requisiti in modo quasi ideale. Recentemente pero' sembra che il criterio di ammissione si sia spostato su a favore del richiamo sul pubblico (questa e' la ragione per cui il George Cross potrebbe essere preferito al Green Gully) e questo non e' certo il forte del Morwell.

DELUSIONI PER LE ALTRE ITALIANE

Nelle divisioni inferiori, grosse delusioni per le squadre italiane che avevano fatto cose egregie negli ultimi tempi. Il Thomastown e' andato a perdere a Springvale dando cosi' praticamente un addio alle possibilita' di promozione (sara' pero' probabilmente promosso a tavolino con il rimpasto che seguira' l'allargamento della Lega Nazionale); l'East Brunswick si e' fatto superare nel derby italiano dal Bullen che, pur distanziato ormai in classifica, ha rotto le uova nel paniere dei cugini; persino l'East Carlton ha riasapato l'amaro sapore della sconfitta dopo otto risultati positivi consecutivi. Unica eccezione a questa giornata deludente, oltre al Bullen, e' stata la Triestina che battendo l'Hamiyn Rangers ha fatto un altro passo importante verso un piazzamento d'onore.



TIM WHITE

Victorian coaching director

Camp a hit

The Lord Mayor's Children's Camp at Portsea had its normal winter peace shattered by Victoria's under 13, 14 and 15.

The occasion was a weekend seminar for State teams, junior State coaches and managers and regional coaches.

It was totally financed from the Buffalo Sports sponsorship for soccer in Victoria.

The format included debate on the preparation of representative teams and practical experiments in issuing the young players simple instructions in match type situations.

As director of coaching, I pointed out that coaches should not, particularly at this level, be concerned about systems of play, i.e. 4-3-3, 4-2-4 or whatever their particular favorite is.

The best systems in the world will not overcome inaccurate passing or shooting.

None will improve ball control and no system allows for players who do not support each other nor does any system cater for players who cannot or will not run.

The majority of time should be spent on technique. Skill is developed only by continuous practice. So the message is clear: practice as often for as long as possible with the ball to learn very simply to kick, to lead, to dribble to control.

No coaches objected to this principle but a little resistance was evident at first to the suggestions of cutting down on the number of matches in the preparation time.

The need to spend more time on techniques was evident on the practical side when we spent all day Saturday and Sunday morning on a very green, lush ground at Portsea.

Players were placed in match-type situations and given a simple instruction on a task to perform when in possession of the ball. When all coaches were disciplined in the art of watching individuals rather than teams it became clear that most breakdowns in play occurred because of poor technique.

The players were allowed time on the pitch to practice whatever techniques they wished and at times just played fun games. They were very tired late in the afternoon which I felt could have been the result of the late night pillow fights rather than the on the field activities.

The venue was an unqualified success and the concept of the weekend seminar is one we shall certainly recommend for the future.



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NEMA LAKIH PROTIVNIKA

JUST je imao priliku da osvoji tri boda, ali je posle svog gola izgubio borbenost i prepustio inicijativu protivniku. Tesko je samistila da se Adelaide City nalazi toliko nisko na tabeli sa igrama koji imaju neiscrpan izvor znanja i energije. Istina, isla im je na ruku nepovezana igra "plavih", koje je uspevao rano postignuti gol. Na nepredvidjenih uspeha podigao je moral igrama na veliku visinu, ali je razvio i kompleks straha od povratka na nedavne teske dane. Taj strah im ne dozvoljava da igraju smireno i sredjeno, već svaku utakmicu pocinju i završavaju u grcu. Kako druckije objasniti cinjenicu da su dva besa nasla na istom mestu, smetajući jedan drugom u kritičnom momentu, pred sam kraj utakmice kada je JUST imao bodove u džepu. Iskustni protivnik je prebacio loptu na suprotnu stranu, koja je zjapila prazna, posto je to tada izvanredni Sulejman Curovic bio u poseti Hazabente u radno vreme. Istina mogla je ta poseta da ostane nezapažena kao mnoge druge, ali lopta je sretno sela na nogu rezervnog igrača Dodcu, koji je postigao gol života. Mogao je isto tako da uradi i Sulejman Curovic dvadeset minuta ranije, ali njegova raketa prohuja je dosta daleko od gola, no ipak izvikla je dosta uzdaha.

Problem "plavih" su trema i panika, što znači da nedostaje bar jedan iskusan igrač u pozadini. Čak i Boland ima tremu, što je dokaz loše ispućavanja u kritičnim momentima.

Ipak, JUST mora i mora biti zadovoljan sa do sad postignutim rezultatima. Jedan polusueh uvek pozitivno deluje, jer spusta igrače na zemlju, gde se vodi glavna bitka. Takođe, trener je imao problema kako da sastavi tim kada ima visak igrača. Možda je Joe Carroll trebalo da uđe u igru mnogo ranije, ali zbog moguće, povrede promene igrača vrse se samo po nuždi.

Sedeci protivnik JUSTA je stari domaći rival Heidelberg Alexander koji se nalazi u velikoj krizi, ali ne treba zaboraviti da je uvek bio neugodan za "plave", naročito kada Boland brani. Međutim, trener se mora kad tad razbiti i sada je to na najbolju stranu. Možda je bas zbog toga što "plavi" nisu trijumfovali protiv Adelaide City, što će ih naterati da ozbiljno shvate utakmicu u Heidelbergu.

DRUGI DERBI U PRESTONU

Makedonija je igrala nereseno u Adelaide, gde je prethodne nedelje osvojila tri vazna boda. Ne znamo kao se igra odvijala, ali "crvenocrnim" moraju biti zadovoljni sa rezultatima u gostima poslednje nedelje, iako se Sydney City u međuvremenu opasno približio. Najteži ispit Makedonija polaze sledeće nedelje ne svom igralistu protiv lokalnog rivala South Melbourne Helasa, koji se polako ali sigurno približava vrhu tabele. Steta sto igraliste Makedonije nije veće, inace bi bio oboran rekord lokalnih derbiša. Makedonija je u odličnoj poziciji da popravi negativan bilans sa Helasom.

SMENA NA VRHU TABELE

Croatia je necekivanim prepustila celu poziciju Ajaksu, posto je izgubila skoro dobijenu utakmicu protiv Juventusa. Ovaj poraz moze imati posledica, ako prijem novih klubova u Nacionalnu ligu bude uslovljen, pored odricanja nacionalnih imena, i plasmanom na tabeli drzavne lige.

Istina, pitanje prvaka jos nije reseno, ali ni drugo mesto nije sigurno, jer do kraja prevestivata ostaje jos sed dugh i neizvesnih kola. Narocito je tugaljivo sledece 21. kolo, koje moze vratiti Croatiau na staro mesto pod uslovom da se ne potcenj George Cross, jer Juventus moze pomrsiti racune i Ajaksu, sa kojim se sastaje u Green Gullyu.

TURNIR VETERANA U MELBURNU

Mnogi se ne secaju, ali pre 20 godina i vise na nogometnim utakmicama u Melburnu bilo je mnogo vise publike, iako su u centru pozornije bili drugi klubovi. Od njih je u vrhu ostao samo JUST, dok su Juventus, George Cross i Polonia potpisniti privremeno u pozadini. Zvezde tog zlatnog i romantiznog vremena namejavaju da nam osveze uspomene sa jednim originalnim turnirom na kome bi nastupili veterani gore pomenutih klubova. Dolaze u obzir samo veterani stariji od 38 (zasto ne 40!). JUSTove veterane priprema za ovaj susret popularni Steve Rock Zakomark, koji je oduševljavao publiku u sestoj deceniji ovog stoleca. Možda je Steva bio jedini igrač, kome su sudije prilazile sa strahopostojanjem. Bio je sjajan igrač, ali nepravdu nije podnosio, zbog cega je dobio nadimak "stormy petrel" (kocoperana ptica, burmica). Ali, posto ne pisemo ovog puta nicipu biografiju, da se vratimo na turnir veterana. Bilo koji igrač starog JUSTA, koji je duze nosio dres prvog tima, umoljava se da se javi telefonom Stevi Rocku svakog radnog dana posle 6 casova uvece na broj: 551 5218.

ODNELI BODOVE I ISPAZNILI KANTINU

Richmond je pobedio Altona Gate/Vardara sa 1:0 (0:0). Ali nisu im bila dovoljna dva boda, vec su sve pojeli i popili sto je bilo za prodaju u Vardarovoj kanti. Istina, sve su posteno platili, cak su i cescavili naokolo da bi sto bolje proslavili otmicu dva boda, koji su Vardaru potrebni kao nasusni hleb. Altona Gate/Vardar voli ovakve trosadaje, ali jos vise dva boda, za koje se moze junacki boriti iduce nedelje u Werribee. Vardar je uspeo prosle nedelje da onemogući bolesnog Dragana Vasicu da se ne upise u strele, ali sta vredi kada je ipak primila fuseski gol. Inace, igra je bila fer i na visini. Vardar je bio mnogo bolji u polju, ali je mnogo petljao i filozofirao pred golom, dok su gosti cekali, docekali i iskoristili sansu koja donosi pobeđu.

VELIKA SANSA ZA RINGWOOD/SBRIJU

Nesto svoom pobedom nad slabom Prahna/Slaviom sa 3:0, ali jos vise necekivanim ishodom ostalih utakmica, Ringwood/Sbria je isblila na centno mesto sa utakmicom manje odigranom. Sansa je idealna za osvajanje cak i prvog mesta, samo treba sacuvati hladnokrvnost i docekati susret sa North Dan-

denongom. Ali pre toga ne sme se pokleknuti ni jedanput, naročito sledeće subote protiv drugog tima Makedonije, koji se prepustio sudbini. Od susreta sa drugim timom "plavih" Makedonija nije upotreblila igrace Nacionalne lige Kalibra Gary Warda?

Drugi tim JUSTA je u gostima zaslužen pobeđu borbenog Ardeera sa 2:0 (0:0), iako nije pružio najbolje igru. Navalala je bila suviše ležerna i plasijska, tako da su lepe sanse otisile u nepovrat. Tek kada je Toma Karic krenuo u napad pocelo je da mirise na gol. I zaista njegova zlatna desnica otvorila je seriju golova sutinom sa 30 metara. Golman se ispruzio koliko je dug, ali uzalud, jer se ovakavi sutevi samo srecom brane. Drugi gol je dosao sam po sebi, posle izvanredne akcije, iako da se Tony Clayworth ustao sa loptom u mrežu. Zoran Krnic se odlucio snasao kao centarhal, dok je mladi golman Peter Hrehoresin iskusno resio teske situacije, koje su stvorili nesigurni bekovi. Ovine timu nedostaje dinamici Emil Petrov, koji ne igra vec dve nedelje sbop povrede. Zaista je neobjasnivo zasto se drugi tim JUSTA nalazi u donjem delu tabele, kada mu je po igri mesti u samom vrhu. U subotu 20. avgusta "plavi" docekaju na Schintler Reserve Waverley City. Navijaci ce imati bogat program toga dana, jer u 11 casova pocinju juniori JUSTA Altona Gate/Vardara, a u 10 podne rezervni drugog tima JUSTA i Waverley Citya, a prvi timovi u 3 po podne. Kantina ce biti dobro snabdevena samim specijalitetima i pican da utoli glad i zedj do pocetka PLAVE VECERI u restoranu "Happy Bistrot", koji priprema pogodak veceru sa lepom zabavom za svega 10 dolara od 7,30 uvece do zore.

SLOGA SE BLIZI VRHU DOK MLADOST TONE

CARLTON/MLADOST-LALOR/SLOGA 0:3 (0:2). Seriju golova je otvorio Ljuba Stojanovic, koji je dva puta zatresao mrežu Mladosti u prvom poluvremenu. Dok se Sloga, posle brize u pocetku prvenstva, krpim koracima približava vrhu tabele, do Mladost sve dublje tone, ma da je pre pet do šest nedelja obećavala mnogo, posti je zadrmala vodece klubove prve provinciale divizije. Igraci nisu losi, ali treba pronaci deo skripi i zastopiti, jer jos ima vremena za spasavanje. Dok se Mladost preznojava na dnu tabele HAWKSBURN je prosle subote resio sve brige iako je zabe-

lezio prvu pobeđu tek posle puna tri meseca. Pobeđonosni gol postigao je najstariji igrač Joe Sabo iz guzve, a posle slobodnog udarca koji je izveo drugi veteran Andras Kazi sa 25 metara u 59. minutu. Najbolji igrač: Stjepan Kanton, Andras Kazi i Joe Sabo. Posto je rezervna Shepparton Citya zakasnila citav sat, Hawksburn je dobio dva boda bez borbe.

U subotu 20. avgusta igraju se sledeće utakmice: East Brunswick v. Carlton/Mladost, Lalor/Sloga v. Chelsea, Langwarrin v. Hawksburn.

BRATSTVO/JEDINSTVO IGRA ZA PUBLIKU

Bratstvo/Jedinstvo — West Melbourne 7:0 (1:0). Laka i ubedljiva pobeđa novog sampiona treće provincialne divizije, koji je u drugom poluvremenu zabavljao publiku lepim golovima i efektnom igrom. Strelci: Milan Stojilovic 2, Dragoslav Jelenc 2, Milekno Culibrk, Petko Tomić i Stevo Janjic po 1. Najbolji igrač: Dragan Janjic, Dragoslav Jelenc i Petko Tomić. Rezerva je pobedila sa 10:0 (4:0). Strelci: Zdravko Dabic 3, Sime Rukavina 2, Nebojsa Dragovic 2, Nebojsa Dragovic i Ljubisa Tomić 1. U subotu 20. avgusta Bratstvo/Jedinstvo gostuje u Mitchamu.

West Geelong/Makedonija — Pascoe Vale/Pelister 1:1 (1:1). Iako je igrao bez tri najbolja igrača (kapiten Mirko Dzanovski, Zoran Risteovski i John Benalia), Pelister je sa malo sreće mogao da se vrati kući sa oba boda. Jedini gol postigao je Danny McLaghlan. Debitovao je sa uspehom Vlatko Cvetanovski, star 16 godina. U predgiri rezervna Makedonija pobedila je Pelister sa 3:0. Sledeće subote Pelister igra na svom igralistu protiv Brunswick Citya.

University of Melbourne — Altona/Vojvodina 1:5 (0:2). Iako je Vojvodina završila utakmicu sa 9 igrača, zbog cudnog sudije, ipak je visoko porazila domaci tim. Odmah posle odmora subija je posle jednog obicnog faula i bez prethodne opomene izbacio Paul Galla, a nesto pokazao je put u svecianicu Slobodan Dimitrijevijskom, zbog prigovora svom igraču. Posle 10 godina Pavle Oravec je ponovo stao medju stativama i sa uspehom je obavio golmansku doznost. Strelci: Miki Cvetkovski 2, Adam Miller 2 i Aleks Micevski. Najbolji igrač: Pavle Oravec, Adam Miller i Miki Cvetkovski. Rezerva je izgubila sa 2:4 (1:2). Strelci: Cvetan Simonovski i Tony Karanfilovski. U subotu 20. avgusta Vojvodina docekuje na svom igralistu Burnley.

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"Ε νεί μεγάλη νίκη της "Ελλάς Μελβούρνς 1-0 επί της ΑΠΙΑ τήν περασμένη Κυριακή ή πεν μί άέντηρη από τόν φίλδτιμο προδρό της Δεσβίης "Ανέσκη πρόσ έλους έκείνους από πρίν λίγιο καιρό τόν είχαν ζειράφει και κώταζαν έν μορφοσαν νά τόν... έστρωσαν ζωντανό.

Επί τέρας πού βλέπουν ότι ή έλλαγή πού διάλεξε ό κορυφαίος παράγων μαζί με τούς άνθρώπους τόν, πέτυχε... τέρας σκυλάζουν γιατί έν έπυχαν αύτόν στόν άνθιμικό γιά τήν "Ελλάς σκοπό τούς.

Οι νίκες λοιπόν της "Ελλάς και τού άξιου τεχνικού έδαν Μανκέντρου ΚΛΕΙΝΟΥΝ ΣΤΟΜΑΤΑ.

ΠΑΡΑΞΕΝΑ ΠΡΑΓΜΑΤΑ

Η Ελλάδα πήρε μία άκόρη νίκη τήν περασμένη Κυριακή μέσα στό Μίνιελ Πάρκ επί της Ιοχρής ΑΠΙΑ αλλά κατά παράξενο τρόπο είλαμε μερικιά άτομα μέσα στό Πρές Τούμ πού έδειχναν στεναχωρημένα.

Μήπως άραγε έπρεπε τά καρόβια τούς έξαι; Μήπως στεναχωρήθηκαν πού νίκησε ή "Ελλάς; ή μήπως ένέν τήν χένωσαν άκόρη ότι ό ένν Μα κέντρου είναι μεγάλος προπονητής;

ΔΕΝ ΦΤΑΙΕΙ Ο ΜΟΡΤΟΝ

Δέν νομίζουμε ότι φταίει ό Κέν Μόρτον ό φίλδτιμος τεχνικός τού Μέγα γιά τήν κορέα ή τού σπύλλτου.

Ο άνθρωπος με τό έμφανο όλικό πού βρήκε, είναι και βαθια πός κατέφερε νά κρατήσει τήν ομάδα σε μία καλά σειρά καί έπόμενοι ήταν έν έπαιρουν τήν κατηγορία πού πιστεύουμε ότι με τήν βοήθεια έδων νά σταματήσει μέχρι έδδ.

ΠΟΛΛΑ ΜΗΘΟΥΝ ΝΑ ΓΙΝΟΥΝ

Ετάν νεί σαιζόν πολλά μερόβου νά γίνουν και νά έλλάζων οι κατηγορίες ή και νά περάσουν σε μεγαλύτερες κατηγορίες άκοιτες ομάδες πού φέτος διακρίθηκαν άκριβώς γιά τόν λόγο αύτό καιζεις όλο και ή άη έθση

πού θα καταλάβουν τά σωματεία στά διάφορα πρωταθλήματα πού μετέχουν.

Ο ΣΤΕΦΙΟΣ ΤΗ ΕΝΩΣΗ ΠΟΝΤΙΩΝ

Ο έθνισμος χορός της "Ένωσης Ποντίων θα γίνει στις 8 τού "Οκτώβρη 1983 στό άμπερχειο τού Ρίτμοντ.

Γιά τά εισιτήρια σας τηλεφωνήσατε στόν άριθμό 429 4241.

ΜΕΤΑΝ ΝΙΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΟΚΑΗ

Μέ 6-0 τή "Ωλη έίελασαν τό Περάν Σίτν καί συνεχίζει νά είναι στήν Ιη έθση τού βαθμο λογισμικό πινάκα της Γ' τού Μετροπόλιταν.

Τά γκόλ πέτυχαν οι Νικολόσι 3, Παζλίνα 2, καί ό νεαρός τάλαντεός της Κιάκος.

"Επαζαν οι Κένεντυ, Καμυλάκης, Ετογιάδου Κρίβερς, Μπατινιέτο, Κοντοκόστας, Κιάκος, Παζλίνα, Νικολόσι, Ξιτίρης, Μ. Καβαρντινάς.

"Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 2-1 (Γ. Λακλιέτι 2).

ΜΑΛΒΕΡΝ 2 - ΣΑΟΥΘ ΝΤΑΝΤΕΝΟΥΚ 1

"Εκτός έδρας τή Μάλβερν Σίτν πήρε μεγάλη νίκη από τό Σάουθ Ντάντενουκ 2-1 καί συνεχίζει νά μοιράζεται τήν Ιη έθση τού βαθμολογικό πινάκα στήν Β' τού Προβίλίου με τό Ιοχρή Χόλλαντ Πάρκ.

Τά γκόλ πέτυχαν οι Κυριαζόπουλος καί Πετρόπουλος.

"Επαζαν οι Μακέν, Μενόβις, Παπαδόπουλος, Ξω μερβίλ, Πετρόπουλος, Μαυρίδης, Κυριαζόπουλος Σματζίης, Δελιγιάννις, Λιχόβρης (5' Στάθδουλος), Πάβους.

"Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 7-0 (Χρονάς 4, Πριανταφυλλίδης 2, Χ. Μαυρίδης).

ΤΟ ΣΕΡΙΝΟ ΤΗ ΕΝΩΣΗ ΠΟΝΤΙΩΝ

Τόν Νοέμβρη τού 1983 ή "Ένωσι Ποντίων διοργανώνει στό γηπέδ της στό Ρίτμοντ θερινό τουρνουά.

Γιά τίς νικητριες ομάδες θα δοθούν χρηματικά έπαιδία. Γιά τήν Ιη 1000 δολάρια, γιά τήν 2η 500 δολάρια καί τήν 3η καί 4η έθση από 250 δολάρια.

Οι ένδιαφερόμενες ομάδες μερόβου νά στείλουν τίς αίτήσεις τούς στην σύσταση:

T. PERKOUKLIS 8 HODGSON TER. RICHMOND.

Γιά περισσότερες πληροφορίες τηλεφωνήσατε στό 429 4241 ή 233 7978.

ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΑΓΩΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΛΛΑΔ

Τήν Κυριακή 21 Αλγούστου 1983 καί έρα 10 π.μ. στό Μίνιελ Πάρκ θα γίνει έκτακτη Γενική Συνέλευση της "Ελλάς Μελβούρνς.

Ο ΧΟΡΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΠΥΛΑΓΟΥ

Στό ΕΜΒΑΣΤΥ RECEPTION είδαε χορό ό Πυθαγόρας τήν Ιη τού "Οκτώβρη 1983 καί έλοι είναι εύφρόδεντοι.

"Ας σημειωθεί ότι ή διεθέθυνση τού "Επαυ προέφερε μία έμφάνιση ποδοσφαιρική στόν Πυθαγόρα.

4 ΒΑΘΜΟΤΕ ΜΗΡΟΤΕΑ Η ΔΟΞΑ ΓΙΑΠΑΡΙΑ

"Η άδξα Γιάραβιλ νίκησε καί τό Λαγκούβριν 1-0 καί βρισκεται σταθερά στήν Ιη έθση τού βαθμολογικού πινάκα της Α' τού Προβίλίου με 4 βαθμούς έπαφορά από τό ΚΑΙ-ΕΤΟΝ Χίλ καί τό "Βστ Μπράνστονκιν.

"Η έλληνική ομάδα πήρε τήν νίκη με πέναλτι πού κέρδισε ό Ν. Μελέτης καί τό κτύπησε ό Βαγγέλης Περάκης.

Στό Α' μέρος χέθηκαν καλές εύκαιρίες από τούς κυνηγούς της πρωτοπόρου άδξας.

"Η άμυνα της νικητριας ήταν πολύ καλή καθά καί ό Ξιτίρης άμνητρου.

"Επαζαν οι Νικιάς, Σουλακίδης, Κοντορβέλης, Θ. άμνητρου, Περάκης, Βολιγάρης (80' Σαυδούπουλος), Βαλιούλιτης, Ξ. άμνητρου, Πετρόβρης, Λιακούπουλος, Ν. Μελέτης.

Τά δίσβατο ή άδξα άγωνίζεται έκτός έδρας με τό ΚΑΙ-ΕΤΟΝ Χίλ. REF: M. CAULF 9

Στόν Α' γύρο ό δόο άντίπαλοι είχαν μοιραστεί τά τέρατα καί τούς βαθμούς.

"Η Β' της άδξας νίκησε 3-1 (Σουμειλίδης, Τ. Μελέτης, "Αρολιόας).

ΘΡΙΑΜΒΟΣ 5-0 ΤΟΥ ΚΟΛΛΑΗΑΝΤ

Ευκόλε τό Κόλλαηαντ στό γηπέδ του νίκησε τήν Ν. Έλλάς 5-0 καί συνεχίζει νά κυνηγάει τόν τίτλο της Γ' κατηγορίας τού Μετροπόλιτν.

Στό Α' μέρος τό Κόλλαηαντ προηγήθηκε με τέρα καί τού Πατάσιου. Ετάν συνέχεια ό ίδιος πόντε ένα άκόρη, ένό ό Σταυρέλας 2 καί Γ. Τοπαλίδης έλοκλήρωσαν τόν θρίαμβο.

Εχέθησαν οι Σταυρέλας καί Τσιτρίδης.

"Επαζαν οι Παλίδης, Τριανταφυλλίδης, Δακκάς, Τσιτρίδης, Στάλιος, Πιτσίδης, Κουλάκας, Τσιτρίδης (70' Σιδιρόπουλος), Πατάσιος, Περίσος (75' Τοπαλίδης).

ΙΣΟΠΑΛΙΑ Η ΕΝΩΣΗ ΠΟΝΤΙΩΝ

"Εκτός έδρας ή "Ένωσι Ποντίων άν καί προηγήθηκε στό σκόρ με τόν Ν. Κουτρουκίδη, τελικά παρεχώρησε Ισοπαλία 1-1 στήν δυναμική ομάδα τού Ξιρόσπεκτι.

"Η έλληνική ομάδα συνεχίζει νά είναι στήν Ιη έθση καί άήτητη.

"Επαζαν οι Α. Θέας, Μπακούπουλος, Κουλούκας, Μήλιος, Στάτάρου, Ξ. Κατάλιος, Ξ. Ιωάν. Κατάλιος, Ν. Κουτρουκίδης, Ξωηφειδής (80' Χρ. Κουρτιλίδης) 0-0.

"Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 5-1 (Παυδούπουλος 2, Χρ. Κουτρουκίδης 2, Κουρτιλίδης 2, Χατζιτρίδης).

Τήν Κυριακή ή "Ένωσι Ποντίων άγωνίζεται στό γηπέδ της στό Ρίτμοντ με τήν BOWATER SCOTT καί έρα 10.00 π.μ.

ΣΤΗΝ ΤΑΙΜΑΝΙΑ Ο ΠΥΘΑΓΟΡΑΣ

Μετά τήν λήξη τού πρωταθλήματος ό Πυθαγόρας θα διοργανώσει έκδρομή στήν Ταίμανια όπου θα άντιμετωπίζει τοπικές ομάδες.

ΚΑΤΑΤΗΡΜΑ ΠΑΡΧΗΣ Ο ΤΕΡΖΑΚΗ

Ο "Αγγλική Περάκης ό βράχος της άμυνας τής πρωτοπόρου άδξας Γιάραβιλ έπαυλάσε τό νεί κατάστημα πού άνοίξε μαζί με τόν Ν. Βαγγελινός "CITY BAKKRIES" στό LONGDALE STR.

Μάλιστα τό περασμένο Σάββατο έπείρε στην ομάδα τού 500 σφαιρία γιά τό μπέρμεκιν.

Οι έίλοι της άδξας, τό Δ. Σουμειλίδης ό προπονητής καί ή στήλη τού έχονταί καλές δουλειές.

ΧΟΡΕΟΥΝ ΤΑ ΤΣΟΥΝΙΟΠΕ ΤΗΣ ΔΟΞΑΣ

Στις 24 τού Σεπτεμβρη 1983 καί στό ΧΑΙ τού σχολείου στό Θράνσις στρ. θα γίνει ό έθνισος χορός τών Τζούνιους της άδξας.



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**SOUTH
MELBOURNE**

at Connor Reserve

K.O. 3pm

Previous results

'77.....	
'78.....	
'79.....	
'80.....	
'81.....	1-1
'82.....	1-1



DAVID JONES
(Preston)



CHARLIE EGAN
(South Melbourne)

HEIDELBERG

V

FOOTSCRAY

At Olympic Village

K.O. 3pm

Previous results

'77.....	2-0
'78.....	0-1
'79.....	2-1
'80.....	3-2
'81.....	2-0
'82.....	3-3



GARY COLE
(Heidelberg)



ZVRADKO LUJIC
(Footscray)